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Pentagon will deploy 5,200 troops to border

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WASHINGTON — The Pentagon will deploy 5,200 active-duty troops to the U.S.-Mexico border to help curb illegal immigration, officials said Monday following President Donald Trump's repeated warning that migrants in southern Mexico making their way toward the U.S. pose a national security threat.

That deployment of mostly Army engineering, aviation, medical and military police soldiers could grow even larger, officials said Tuesday.

By Monday evening, some 800 active-duty troops had arrived in Texas to "harden the southern border," said Air Force Gen. Terrence O'Shaughnessy, the chief of U.S. Northern Command. The new crop of troops will arrive in the border region by Saturday, joining roughly 2,100 National Guard forces already operating — primarily in logistics and background support missions — on the southern border in support of U.S. Customs and Border Protection agents.

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Gen. Terrence O'Shaughnessy, commander of the U.S. Northern Command, speaks at a news conference in Washington on Monday. Behind him is U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner Kevin McAleenan.



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Scratching the surface

Study reveals Navy installations carry most risk of sexual assault, but not why

BY CAITLIN DOORNBOS
Stars and Stripes

A recent Rand Corp. report requested by the Department of Defense offered a glimpse at where sexual assault was happening in the military, but experts say it failed to answer one of the most important questions: Why?

Of the four military branches studied, the Navy had the installations with the greatest risks of sexual assault. It was the only service to have installations with more than a 15 percent risk of sexual assault on women, with Naval Support Activity Charleston in South Carolina topping the list with 17.1 percent of female servicemembers report-

'We take sexual assault seriously and specifically want to understand the 'why' presented by the data. Identifying protective and risk factors is essential to mitigating the risk of sexual assault for our sailors.'

Navy statement to Stars and Stripes regarding Rand Corp. report

ing they'd experienced a sexual assault in fiscal year 2014.

"Our model estimates that more than one in six women assigned to duty at that installation were sexually assaulted in FY 2014," the report, published last month, said.

On average, men in the Navy were more likely to be sexually assaulted than those in other military branches. The Navy had the highest average sexual assault risk for men — 1.5 percent — on installations studied servicewide, according to the report.

The Marine Corps had the highest average risk for women — about 8 percent overall — while the Navy came in second with about 7 percent risk.

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China gears up to build airfield in Antarctica

By SETH ROBSON
Stars and Stripes

China has announced plans to build an airfield in Antarctica amid warnings that the communist nation is laying groundwork for a claim on the frozen continent's vast natural resources.

China's state-run Xinhua News Agency noted the effort to establish the airfield in a Monday report about an upcoming flight by the nation's first fixed-wing polar aircraft — the Xueying 601, or Snow Eagle.

The facility will be near Zhongshan Station, according to the agency. It's one of several outposts China operates from in the Australian Antarctic Territory, which covers 42 percent of the continent.

The airfield should be complete in a couple of years and will be used for scientific expeditions and tourist groups, according to information from China's Ministry of Science and Technology reported by Australia's News Corp on Monday.

There's no indication that the airfield will have a military purpose. However, Anne Marie Brady, an expert on Antarctica and China at the University of Canterbury in New Zealand has reported on Chinese military activities on the ice in recent months.

In September, she wrote in The Australian newspaper about Chinese and Russian efforts to build their own satellite navigation networks — known as Beidou and Glonass — with Antarctic receiving stations.

"In a time of conflict, if the U.S. denied others access to GPS, China and Russia could employ



Courtesy of Pixabay

A New York Air National Guard LC-130 cargo plane taxis on skis in Antarctica.

Beidou and Glonass to guide strike weapons and other military operations," she wrote.

Brady said China is steadily expanding the level of involvement of its military in the Antarctica program.

"This will greatly enhance China's Antarctic operating capacity and enable (People's Liberation Army) personnel to gain experience operating in extreme environments," she wrote.

In an August report on "China's Expanding Antarctic Interests," Brady wrote, "China has con-

'It's a natural step in their desire to assert themselves. Antarctica is one of the areas where the big boys play.'

Brad Glosserman
China expert

ducted undeclared military activities in Antarctica, is building up a case for a territorial claim and is engaging in minerals exploration there."

The polar regions are new

strategic territories where China would draw the resources to become a global power, she added.

"Access to resources and opportunities in these regions is essential for China's continued growth,

prosperity and political stability," she wrote. "Antarctica — rich in resources and, from China's perspective, with unresolved sovereignty — is extremely important to the Chinese government."

China will play by the rules of the Antarctic Treaty, which governs activities on the ice, for the next 20 to 30 years, giving it plenty of time to prepare its capacity to assess what minerals exist there and the challenges involved in extracting them, she wrote.

Australia's relationship with China in Antarctica is cooperative but allows for monitoring of Chinese activities on the ice, she said in a phone interview Tuesday.

American Brad Glosserman, a China expert and visiting professor at Tokyo's Tama University, said the airfield plans aren't a surprise given China's drive to become a global power.

"It's a natural step in their desire to assert themselves. Antarctica is one of the areas where the big boys play," he said.

Fifteen other nations, including the U.S. and Japan, have airfields on the continent, he said.

U.S. military personnel deploy to McMurdo Station on Ross Island to support the National Science Foundation's research during Antarctica's summer.

New York Air National Guard LC-130 cargo planes operate out of nearby Pegasus Field and can land on skis at the South Pole and other places on the continent.

A permanent airfield would give China influence on Antarctic aviation, Glosserman said. However, he added, China will need to comply with Antarctic Treaty procedures to build it.

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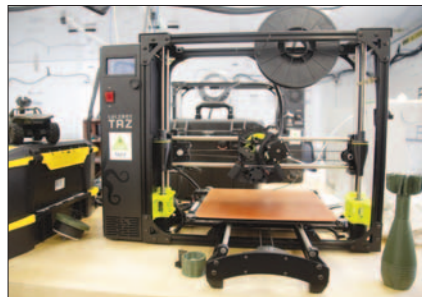


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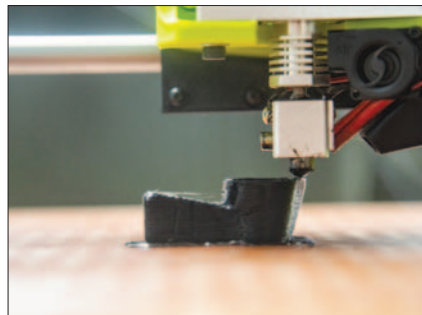


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A soldier shows off a 3D-printed Humvee ignition switch at Camp Humphreys, South Korea, on Monday.



This is one of five 3D printers used by the Army's Rapid Fabrication via Additive Manufacturing on the Battlefield facility.



A Humvee ignition switch is printed at Camp Humphreys.



A printed Humvee door handle, left, sits next to an original.



A plastic hula girl is set aside for scanning inside the facility.

All that's fit to PRINT

Army field-tests 3D-printing capabilities in S. Korea

By MARCUS FICHTL
Stars and Stripes

CAMP HUMPHREYS, South Korea — Soldiers in South Korea can now get broken-down tanks and trucks ready for battle quicker thanks to a new experimental 3D-printing facility.

Known as the Rapid Fabrication via Additive Manufacturing on the Battlefield, or RFAB, the facility and its five 3D printers can produce everything from Humvee ignition switches to M4 rifle buttstocks by layering material into the shape of the desired object.

This is the fourth deployment of the \$250,000 facility, which arrived at Camp Humphreys in August.

Unlike in the other deployments that lasted only a month, Chief Warrant Officer Dewey Adams said his team of six soldiers will operate the RFAB here for a full year.

The Army chose the 2nd Sustainment Brigade for its first yearlong test because of the near-deployment nature of South Korea, Adams said.

"We're trying to validate the use of additive manufacturing in the future of the [Army]," he told Stars and Stripes on Monday inside the small shipping container-like facility.

A quick glance inside the facility, just behind the new 2nd

Infantry Division headquarters, showed shelves packed with green plastic creations.

Some of the smallest and least impressive parts have been the most valuable, Adams said.

For example, a missing or broken fire suppression cap that could immobilize a massive Mine-Resistant Ambush Protected vehicle may cost only \$2.51, but it has a shipping time of 126 days from the United States.

Adams said his team can build the part on site in less than two hours and put the truck back on its way.

They've also gone beyond just spare parts to making about 75 training mines and mortars, a capability Adams said "dumbfounded" the local explosive ordnance disposal unit that's used to long waits for training materials.

The program has restraints. The parts produced are meant as temporary replacements until the originals arrive. The unit also can't produce parts requiring metal since its machines can build only plastic and some carbon-enhanced products.

Adams said the team can't produce parts that would cause catastrophic harm to people if they were to break, like a rifle's firing pin or helicopter part.

But the quick turnaround time from design to printing, which ranges from two hours to a few

days, and the ability to deploy the facility anywhere and start producing parts within the hour makes RFAB a boon on the battlefield, he said.

"We want the asset as close to the front line as we can," he said.

The unit has produced about 65 different parts and about 500 pieces of equipment in three months, Adams said, adding the creations have a success rate of about 65 percent.

Even failures are a win because they provide insight into the limitations of the current technology that can be used at the Army Armament Research, Development and Engineering Center in Rock Island, Ill.

Successful products are also sent to ARDEC, and their blueprints are saved to a militarywide data cloud that can be accessed by any branch, Adams said.

He acknowledged that the Marines and Navy are slightly ahead in adopting the new technology.

Billy Binikos, an ARDEC representative who works with Adams, said the Army could adopt RFAB facilities for regular use in 2025. Adams, who has spent 15 years in the Army building parts, said the future is bright for the new 3D field capabilities.

"The only limitation is our imagination," he said.

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MILITARY

Report: Combat units have more instances of sexual assault

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Across all services, men and women in the Air Force had the lowest risk of sexual assault, according to the study.

Rand's authors wrote in the report that they could not definitively identify "what it is about these duty assignments that leads to their association with the highest risk of sexual assault" based on the data.

In an official statement to Stars and Stripes, the Navy said the report's "information will be vital to us in determining where and how to target training, prevention and response resources."

"The Navy has further engaged with Rand to help us take a closer look at the conclusions of this report by conducting follow-on projects to provide more actionable information about where sexual assault risk is highest and lowest in the Navy," the statement said.

But information about specific sexual assaults are happening is not enough. The Navy said it will work to understand what is causing numbers to be higher in certain regions.

"We take sexual assault seriously and specifically want to understand the 'why' presented by the data," the official Navy statement said. "Identifying protective and risk factors is essential to mitigating the risk of sexual assault for our sailors."

Patterns emerge

Some patterns in the report data could point to better understanding of the causes.

Authors said the correlation between ships and sexual assault was "the clearest pattern of high risk we recognize." All but one of the top Navy's lists of sexual assault risk, "there may be something about assignment to ships that elevates risk for women and men," the report said.

"Ships dominate the highest-risk installations across the report said. Our model estimates that more than 10 percent of all women experienced a sexual assault at each of these high-risk installations over a one-year period, and more than 15 percent of all women were assaulted at two of them."

Because "it is not just one or two ships that top the Navy's lists" of sexual assault risk, "there may be something about assignment to ships that elevates risk for women and men," the report said.

Vessels not at sea also had high instances of sexual assault. The USS Abraham Lincoln ranked among installations across all branches with the highest risk of sexual assault for women in 2014 while it was out of rotation for maintenance, according to the report.

The phenomenon may serve as evidence that ships' high sexual assault risks are "not exclusively due to life at sea or the cycles of shore leave experienced by deployed sailors," the report said.

Another pattern in the data: Many of the installations with the highest rates of sexual assault were home to combat units—including Navy ships, according to the report.

The trend appeared across all branches, with "the highest-risk lists" for men in the Air Force including "more installations with a more prominent combat unit presence."

"U.S. Pacific Fleet, U.S. Fleet Forces Command, U.S. Fleet Command, Pacific Air Forces and others with direct combat roles were among the commands with the highest total and command-specific risk," the report said.

The data follow a trend noticed in a 2012 anonymous survey by the Department of Veterans Affairs that found about half of all women deployed to Afghanistan reported being sexually harassed, and about 1 in 4 said they'd been sexually assaulted.

While the report does not explicitly show what caused the identified patterns, its au-



JAMES EVANS/Courtesy of the U.S. Navy

Sailors man the rails aboard the aircraft carrier USS Abraham Lincoln at Naval Station Everett, Wash., in 2007. The Lincoln ranked among installations across all branches with the highest risk of sexual assault of women in 2014.

thors offered a few theories.

The report said the inflation of sexual assault among combat units could have to do with a "mindset, ethos or culture common to combat units that is associated with sexual assault risk." Another factor could be that combat units have more enlisted service members than officers and have "a smaller proportion of civilians" as compared with other commands, the report said.

The Rand authors also noted that installations with combat units have more personnel living on base or on a ship than noncombat operations, "with a greater proportion of support," the report said.

'Less concerned about rules'

Col. Don Christensen, retired chief prosecutor of the Air Force and president of Protect Our Defenders—a group that provides legal assistance and advocacy for military sexual assault victims—said there could be myriad reasons why combat units have more instances of sexual assault.

"You have people away and in a dangerous situation. I could see how people in that situation are less concerned about rules and to see an increase sexual assault," Christensen said.

Data from the Rand study suggesting a strong correlation between reports of sexual harassment and reports of sexual assault may shed some insight, he said.

"We know from that data that in a combat environment ... women definitely are subjected to more sexual harassment and sexual assault," Christensen said. "The data's really strong that if you have a [group] that views women as less than equal, someone who's OK to harass ... it leads to an environment that is more accepting of sexual assault."

Christensen said understanding the reason behind higher sexual assaults in combat environments could lead to solutions—but that would take further study.

"I don't think anyone's ever looked at why, which is a problem," he said.

Another pattern noted was the consistency of the installations on the highest- or lowest-risk lists for both men and women in three of the four branches studied. Across

the Navy, Air Force and Army, installations with high and low risk levels largely matched between the genders.

"These observations suggest that some of the same installation characteristics associated with risk of sexual assault for women are also associated with risk for men," the Rand report said.

It also said consistencies among some locations and types of commands could suggest characteristics that factor into the likelihood of sexual assault. For example, servicemembers assigned to commands with typically smaller officer-to-enlisted ratios and higher-ranking personnel—such as medical centers and those working in the Washington area—were less likely to experience sexual assault, according to the report.

"Much of this association can be explained by the individual characteristics of the personnel assigned to these locations," the report said.

But without more detailed information on the installations—such as "particular units, occupations, locations, missions, activities or other characteristics"—the report's authors could not definitively pinpoint reasons for the patterns.

'Proof-of-concept'

In the summary of their findings, the authors said the study was conducted as a "proof-of-concept," and the data they analyzed were not broken down into more specific subgroups. They suggested further research and sorting of subgroups of personnel will enable better targeted "training, prevention and response resources."

"We did not explore the full array of alternative clusterings of personnel that might be especially revealing of the nature and distribution of risk," the report said. "For instance, more useful than the high-level commands we examined ... might be their subordinate commands."

In continuing work with the Navy, the study's authors are retooling their approach to examining risk on Navy ships to more closely identify factors associated with sexual assault. For example, rather than clustering ships by ZIP code as they did in the

September study, "the ships might be clustered by ship class, homeport, strike group, mission type or port call."

Sexual assault reports have climbed almost every year since the study was conducted in 2014—and more than doubled in the past decade, according to annual Department of Defense Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Office reports. In fiscal year 2017, there were 6,769 reports, up from 2,846 in fiscal 2007.

While the numbers are growing, Christensen said they can become lost compared with the 1.4 million people serving in the U.S. military. That's why he said the unique nature of this study breaking down risk by installation was "eye-opening."

"When you hear the numbers ... it kind of gets lost in that 1.4 million," he said. "But then, when you see an installation like Fort Hood (Texas) had almost 900 men and women who were sexually assaulted on one base, does that base command understand the extent of the problem?"

Just 54 percent of substantiated sexual assault cases were referred to courts-martial for prosecution in fiscal 2017, according to the SAPR annual report. That's down from 71 percent in fiscal 2013.

Increased reporting

The Navy told Stars and Stripes in an official statement that there might be evidence to show the increasing number of reports could mean victims are more comfortable reporting their assaults. In the Navy, sexual assault reports increased from 1,295 in 2014 to 1,585 in 2017, according to the service.

In the 2017 Office of People Analytics Workplace and Gender Relations Survey, the number of sailors experiencing unwanted sexual contact dropped from 7,400 in fiscal 2014 to 5,300 in 2016, the Navy said in its official statement. The Navy said the study indicates that the occurrence of sexual assault has decreased significantly despite the increase in reports.

"Given these conditions, it is estimated that sailors are more comfortable reporting sexual assault," the Navy said in the statement. "More sailors are reporting sexual assaults, and the culture is changing in a positive direction."

Before significant change can happen, Christensen said, leadership must be willing to make stronger statements against sexual assault. "The leadership still hasn't gotten it," he said. "When they testify to Congress, they know what to say. But out on the boats ... they don't act as they testify," he said. "I don't think there's a real serious effort to tamp down sexual harassment. I think they view it as boys being boys; what did you expect when you came into this male-dominated career field?"

But some leaders are coming forward in the wake of the study to remind service members of the seriousness of sexual assault. In Japan, where 50 of the 372 female sailors Rand surveyed had experienced a sexual assault, Naval Forces Japan commander Rear Adm. Gregory Fenton told Stars and Stripes he has a message for sailors there: "Sexual harassment and sexual assault will not be tolerated. Every one of us has earned the right to wear the uniform."

Fenton said he is briefed after each sexual assault reported at one of the bases under his jurisdiction. "The No. 1 goal is to get to the prevention side," he said. "I want to take any lessons learned into prevention." All military branches offer a multitude of anti-sexual assault training, programs and briefings, and SAPR offers many services to victims in the Defense Department community.

For more information on sexual assault reporting, programs and assistance, visit <http://www.sapr.mil>.

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MILITARY

Okinawa governor critical of base decision

BY SIMON DENVER
The Washington Post

TOKYO — The newly elected governor of the Japanese island of Okinawa said Tokyo's decision to press ahead with the construction of a new U.S. military base on Tuesday is "outrageous" and disrespects local democracy.

Denryo Tanaka, the son of an Okinawan woman and a U.S. Marine he has never met, won a gubernatorial election last month on a platform of opposition to the construction of a new U.S. Marine base on the island.

He met Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe earlier this month and told him that Okinawans opposed the building of a base at Henoko, in the northern part of the island. Less than three weeks later, Abe's government issued an injunction allowing construction to proceed.

"From my point of view, this is outrageous," Tanaka said in an interview Tuesday while on a trip to Tokyo. "What the central

government did today is disrespectful to our democracy."

The Okinawa prefecture makes up just 0.6 percent of Japan's total land area, but hosts about half of the 54,000 U.S. troops stationed in the country, including many Marines and the largest U.S. Air Force base in the Asia-Pacific region.

Locals say that's unfair, complaining about the noise of low-flying aircraft, the danger of accidents and the behavior of a small minority of U.S. servicemen.

The U.S. military says the island's strategic location means the bases are vital to the defense of Japan, as well as to keeping the peace in the entire East Asian region, from Taiwan and China to the Korean Peninsula and the Philippines.



Tanaka

Last week, the Okinawan assembly voted to hold a nonbinding referendum on the issue, and Tanaka confirmed that the vote will occur within six months. "I believe this is a great opportunity for all of Okinawa to show our will," Tanaka said.

Provided the referendum attracts at least 25 percent of registered voters, he vowed to respect its outcome and "carry the result" to be handed to the U.S. government.

The base in Henoko is supposed to ease the burden on Okinawa by allowing another Marine Corps base at Futenma, in a much more densely populated part of the island, to close. Nearly half of the 19,000 Marines in Okinawa would be relocated to bases in Australia, Guam and Hawaii.

But many locals say that isn't good enough. Construction of a base, even in a less densely populated area, cements the U.S. military's continued presence on their island, they say.

Takeshi Onaga, Tanaka's predecessor, who died in office in August, had been en-

gaged in a long-running legal and administrative battle with the central government to prevent construction of the Henoko base. Shortly after his death, the prefecture carried on the fight by revoking a landfill permit for the area, again halting work at the site.

Tanaka said Abe had told him that Tokyo's stance on the bases had not changed, but Japan's prime minister also indicated that he would like to reduce the burden on Okinawa. Nevertheless, on Tuesday the central government issued an injunction allowing work on the base to resume almost immediately.

Tanaka expressed his "strong indignation" at that decision, which he described as "completely wrong" and ignoring public opinion in Okinawa.

He said he is not asking for all U.S. military personnel to leave Okinawa, just for the island to take a fairer share of the burden for national defense.

Troops: Mission will be largely to support and enable border agents

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"Our concept of operations is to flow in our military assets with a priority to build up southern Texas and then Arizona and then California to reinforce points of entry to enhance CBP's ability to harden and secure the border ... by providing robust military capabilities," the general said.

The massive deployment — about five times more troops than Pentagon officials indicated they initially planned to send last week — would bring to the border a military force roughly equal to the U.S. military deployment in Iraq and Syria to fight the Islamic State. The Pentagon has about 5,200 troops in Iraq and 2,000 in Syria.

The new border mission, dubbed Operation Faithful Patriot, could get even larger in the coming weeks, a defense official said on the condition of anonymity. Units totaling "several thousand" additional troops have been notified they could be called to the border if needed, the official said.

Department of Homeland Security officials requested the new deployment of active-duty military forces, specifically citing the deeply organized group of about 3,500 Central American migrants now walking in southern Mexico toward the United States. The group made up largely of women and children who have said they seek refugee status after fleeing violence in their home countries remain some 1,000 miles from the U.S. border, according to The Associated Press.

Nonetheless, Trump has repeatedly warned that the group poses a national security threat to the United States, and he vowed Monday it included "Many Gang Members and some very bad people." "This is an invasion of our Country and our Military is waiting for you!" he also tweeted.

CBP Commissioner Kevin McAleenan warned Monday that other similar caravans were being organized in Central America.

"We are preparing for the contingency of a large group of arriving persons intending to enter the United States in the next several weeks," McAleenan told reporters Monday afternoon in a briefing alongside O'Shaughnessy. We will not allow a large group to enter the United States in an unsafe and unlawful manner."

Deploying troops will come from all four military services, though the vast majority will come from the Army, officials said. Pentagon officials declined to detail specifically how many troops would come from each service or the units ordered to deploy.

Soldiers are deploying from a variety of bases across the United States, including Fort Knox and Fort Campbell in Kentucky, Fort Hood in Texas and Fort Riley in Kansas, according to Army officials. They will bring with them knee-high, steel-reinforced barriers, enough coiled razor-wire to span more than 100 miles, more than 10 helicopters outfitted to fly day and night, and at least 30 C-130 and one C-17 cargo planes.

The deployment will also include an armed contingent of military police officers, including soldiers of the 89th Military Police Brigade from Fort Meade in Maryland and the 97th Military Police Battalion at Fort Riley.

Despite carrying weapons, the MP forces would not be authorized to conduct law enforcement operations, an activity that would be covered under the 1878 Posse Comitatus Act. That law bans the use of American military personnel for civilian law enforcement efforts on U.S. soil, outside military installations.

Earlier Monday, White House Press Secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders said the Trump administration was "looking at a number of different options" when she was asked if the president was considering suspending that act.

O'Shaughnessy seemed to put to rest any speculation that military troops would conduct unpre-

cedented operations at the southern border under the impending deployment. "Everything we are doing is in line with and in adherence to Posse Comitatus," he said.

Like the National Guard members who have been supporting CBP efforts at the border since April, the deploying troops are not expected to interact with migrants. Their mission will be largely to support and enable CBP agents to conduct law enforcement duties.

Among soldiers deploying will be Army Corps of Engineers personnel and Army combat engineers from the Fort Knox-based 19th Engineer Battalion, from the Fort Campbell-based 326th Engineer Battalion and from Fort Riley's 1st Engineer Battalion. They will focus on tasks such as building temporary barriers along the border and constructing temporary shelters to house a potential influx of CBP agents, O'Shaughnessy said.

It will also include an influx of military aviation units who will be tasked with ferrying CBP agents along the border with helicopter and airplanes, he said.

McAleenan said the influx of military personnel was necessary to deter migrants from attempting to enter the United States illegally. However, some Democratic lawmakers dismissed the new deployment as a political stunt by the White House just a week before the Nov. 6 midterm elections.

Republicans were not as publicly vocal about their thoughts on the move, despite a few endorsements.

Ahead of Monday's announcement, Rep. Mac Thornberry, R-Texas, chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, lauded the plan when it was estimated 800 servicemembers would be deployed. However, the committee's ranking Democratic member, Washington Rep. Adam Smith, said last week the new deployment to the border was "fundamentally wrong" and a "political act."

"Troops as props — Trump uses our brave soldiers in a blatant political play on the border," Sen. Richard Blumenthal, D-Conn., a member of the Senate Armed Services Committee, tweeted Tuesday. "Is the world's mightiest military necessary to deal with a dwindling caravan of asylum seekers?"

Trump's announced intention Tuesday to end birthright citizenship, which is protected by the 14th Amendment of the Constitution, led several Democrats to claim the moves were part of an effort to distract voters from apparent failures of his administration.

"Misusing our armed forces & taxpayer dollars to send troops to the border; Now a cynical assault on Constitution's birthright citizenship," tweeted Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., the ranking Democrat on the Senate Appropriations Committee. "This POTUS will do ANYTHING to shift [attention] away from his attacks on covering pre-existing conditions & plans to cut Medicare & Social Security."

Sen. Ron Wyden, D-Ore., ranking Democrat on the Senate Finance Committee, also tweeted the moves were a distraction from Trump's stance on health care and his administration's "smash-and-grab corruption." Wyden went on to say that Trump was "wastefully militarizing the border" as an act of "desperation and cruelty."

Republicans were less publicly vocal about their reactions to the plans after it was announced Monday. However, at least four Republican House members endorsed the military's work.

"We need to stop this caravan from entering the U.S.," tweeted Rep. Michael McCaul, R-Texas, chairman of the House Homeland Security Committee. The Homeland Security and Defense departments will deploy the additional troops to "harden points of entry and key gaps."

Rep. Ron Estes, R-Kan., said Monday in a statement that as a member of McCaul's committee,

he knows that securing the border is key to national security. "I am thankful to the members of the Kansas National Guard, the active-duty soldiers stationed at Fort Riley, and all Kansans who will be among the engineers, military police, cooks, medical personnel and others deployed to support efforts to secure our border," Estes said. "These men and women make our state and country proud."



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JSA tours to Korean truce village suspended

By KIM GAMEL
Stars and Stripes

SEOUL, South Korea — Tours to the Korean truce village of Panmunjom have been suspended while authorities await guidance on new arrangements to comply with a far-reaching military agreement.

Agencies notified tourists last week and offered refunds for those who had prepaid for a visit to the tightly controlled Joint Security Area, the heart of the heavily fortified border that sits about 35 miles north of Seoul.

The tours to the JSA — the only point along the 155-mile-long border where North and South Korean troops face each other — are popular with foreign tourists eager for a glimpse of the communist state.

The U.S.-led United Nations Command, which administers the southern side of the jointly patrolled area, confirmed the tours have been postponed. The command's military armistice commission was "looking into dates when they can resume," it said.

"There will be no crossings until the State Department has created and coordinated guidance for the crossings," a UNC official said in an email Tuesday, discussing the issue on condition of anonymity.

The military armistice commission anticipates that crossings will be very controlled at first with name accountability and a head count, the official said, while



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A man poses near South Korean soldiers inside a conference building at the Joint Security Area on the border of North and South Korea in May 2017.

stressing that guidance will come from the State Department.

Visitors have long been allowed into only certain parts of the area — including the blue conference building where the armistice that ended the 1950-53 Korean War was signed — as part of tightly controlled tour groups led by authorized agencies.

But the inter-Korean military agreement reached last month called for the JSA to be disarmed and for civilians to be allowed in the area with "freedom of movement" from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The two Koreas, backed by the UNC, announced last week that they had completed the with-

drawal of firearms and military posts from the area as part of the agreement, which is aimed at reducing tensions amid diplomatic efforts to persuade the North to give up its nuclear weapons.

The UNC — which is led by Gen. Vincent Brooks, who also commands U.S. Forces Korea — announced Monday that the work done to date had been verified.

It also said a third meeting planned for Tuesday between UNC and North and South Korean officials to discuss further implementation of the military agreement had been postponed.

"The trilateral talk will be rescheduled and is being coordi-

nated between" the three parties, according to a press release.

The website NK News quoted travel industry sources as saying that North Korean authorities expect tourists visiting the JSA on its side to be able to freely cross the Military Demarcation Line as early as Thursday. It said the news was reportedly relayed by the Korean International Tourism Co.

In addition to the UNC statement, South Korea's Defense Ministry said discussions are ongoing and no definite date has been fixed for the JSA border crossings to begin.

"The issue related to the free traffic or sightseeing is a matter in need of review and consultation," ministry spokesman Lee Jin-woo told reporters Monday.

It's also not clear how the changes may affect Americans who face a travel ban imposed after the death last year of Otto Warmbier, a University of Virginia student who fell into a coma while detained in the North.

Currently, Americans can step into the North while in the building where the armistice was

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anonymous United Nations Command official

signed, a popular feature of the tours. But the military agreement suggests tourists would be allowed deeper into the North Korean side of the area.

Representatives of several South Korean tour agencies said the JSA tours have not been allowed since Oct. 25, when the UNC informed them to be on standby as the area was temporarily closed.

One employee reached on the phone declined to be interviewed, saying he was too busy processing refunds for visitors who had prepaid for upcoming JSA tours, which have required advance notice to provide time for approval from the U.N. security battalion.

The JSA tours are usually combined with visits to other sites, such as an observation tower and an old North Korean infiltration tunnel near the Demilitarized Zone, a 2.5-mile-wide no man's land that bisects the peninsula largely along the 38th parallel. Those tours have not been affected.

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Above: Former U.S. military dependent Khalid performs at Kadena Air Base, Okinawa, on Friday. Above right: Maggie Lindemann opens for Khalid.



Khalid thrills military fans

By CARLOS M. VAZQUEZ II
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KADENA AIR BASE, Okinawa — Fans of singer-songwriter Khalid lined up for hours to see the quadruple platinum-selling artist's recent performance at Kadena Air Base's Schilling Community Center.

Khalid — who was born at Fort Stewart, Ga., and whose mother was once a member of the U.S. Army Europe Band and Chorus — performed favorites such as "Location," "Love Lies," "East-side" and "OTW."

"Ever since he came out with the song 'Location,' I've been a fan," Petty Officer 2nd Class Erlene Alecius said while waiting for Friday's concert. "It came out in

2016, and from there, I had to get all of his albums."

The Kadena Force Support Squadron-sponsored show was opened by singer-songwriter Maggie Lindemann, 20, a Dallas native known for the songs "Human" and "Pretty Girl."

Khalid told Air Forces Network Okinawa it meant a lot to him to be able to give back to the military via the free performance.

"I wish I could have went to something like this," he said. "The fact that I get to be so close to so many people who are going through the same thing I went through is amazing and inspiring."

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WAR/MILITARY



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An F-15E Strike Eagle pilot reunites with her child and husband after returning on Sunday to RAF Lakenheath, England, from a six-month combat deployment in southwest Asia.

Lakenheath airmen return after 6-month deployment fighting ISIS

By WILLIAM HOWARD
Stars and Stripes

RAF LAKENHEATH, England — The last 494th Fighter Squadron airmen to deploy on a six-month mission to fight Islamic State have returned to Lakenheath, Air Force officials said.

The mission included more than 450 airmen, who began returning in early October to the sights and sounds of family members gathered at the flight line welcoming them home. The remaining contingent of airmen returned last week, service officials said.

The squadron, "associated maintenance and other support elements were engaged in the fight against ISIS," Col. William Marshall, 48th Fighter Wing commander, told Stars and Stripes. "In essence, flushing out the last remaining safeholds of ISIS and finishing eradicating them from the battlefield."

The squadron flew 2,000 F-15E Strike Eagle sorties in about 11,000 flight hours and dropped more than 500 precision-guided



Family members await an F-15E Strike Eagle pilot.

ed munitions in support of U.S. Central Command operations in southwest Asia.

Marshall said hard work and long hours from the aircraft maintainers kept the missions moving.

"When we show up to the jet, we take a quick walk around and hop in with implicit trust that the maintainers have given us a safe and effective airplane to fly," said Marshall, who has more than 650 hours of combat experience in the

F-15E. "They were flying sorties 24 hours a day, seven days a week for anywhere from three to nine hours-plus."

The 48th Fighter Wing employs three combat-ready squadrons of F-15E Strike Eagle and F-15C Eagle fighter aircraft for United States Air Forces in Europe-Air Forces Africa.

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US ISIS suspect held more than 1 year is released

By SPENCER S. HSU
The Washington Post

An American citizen held by the U.S. military without charges for more than a year as a suspected member of Islamic State in Syria has been freed from custody, according to the American Civil Liberties Union, which represented him.

The man, who has not been named in court filings, was released in a third country Sunday, the ACLU said. The man had been imprisoned since being turned over to American forces in September 2017 after he was captured at a rebel Syrian Democratic Forces checkpoint and he declared his U.S. citizenship.

U.S. officials have said they lacked admissible evidence to criminally charge the man, who grew up in Saudi Arabia and is a dual citizen, but detained him as an "enemy combatant." His extraordinary case set off a year-long legal battle over whether U.S. citizens captured on a battlefield as suspected ISIS fighters have the right to challenge their detentions.

His release means the government will avoid a court ruling on that issue, and specifically over whether the wartime authority granted by Congress after the 2001 terrorist attacks against New York City and the Pentagon targeting al Qaeda and the Taliban extends to the struggle against ISIS.

The ACLU called his release a victory for due process and the U.S. justice system.

"My case has shown the worst and the best of my country," said the man, who issued a statement that did not include his name through the ACLU. "No one, no matter what they are suspected of, should be treated the way my government treated me. Once I got the chance to stand up for my rights, the Constitution and the courts protected me."

The man's ACLU attorney, Jonathan Hafetz, said in a statement, "The victory sends a strong message that the president cannot take away an American's liberty without due process, and it shows

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Unnamed American ISIS suspect through the ACLU

the continuing importance of judicial review."

Hafetz said that after federal courts forced the government to defend its "extreme and inaccurate claim of detention authority, the government opted instead to release him as a free man."

The man's release was reported first by The New York Times, which said his name is Abdulrahman Ahmad Alsheikh and that he has been released in Bahrain, where his wife and daughter are living.

In a statement, an ACLU spokesman said that its client was released under a confidential settlement agreement and that he requested time and privacy to rebuild his life.

The government has said in court filings that the man was born in the United States and attended college and studied electrical engineering in Louisiana. The government said he tried to register his 3-year-old daughter as an American citizen on two trips to the United States in 2014.

FBI interrogators said that after his arrest, the man said he worked for ISIS guarding a gas field and monitoring civilians, but that he claimed to be a freelance journalist who agreed to work for ISIS to gain his release after it captured him.

The FBI said he lied about aspects of his travels and that a U.S. military intelligence report on an ISIS recruiting file indicated the man registered with the group in July 2014 as a "fighter," declining a choice of a "suicide bomber."

Taliban: 5 freed from Gitmo now in Qatar

Associated Press

KABUL, Afghanistan — Five members of the Afghan Taliban who were freed from the U.S. military prison at Guantanamo Bay in exchange for captured American army Sgt. Bowe Bergdahl have joined the insurgent group's political office in Qatar, Taliban spokesman Zabihullah Mujahid said Tuesday.

They will be among Taliban representatives negotiating for peace in Afghanistan, a sign some negotiators in Kabul say indicates the Taliban's desire for a peace pact.

Others fear the five, all of whom were close to the insurgent group's founder and hard-line leader, Mullah Mohammed Omar, bring with them the same ultra-conservative interpretation of Islam that characterized the group's five-year rule that ended in 2001 with the U.S.-led invasion.

"Taliban are bringing back their old generation, which means the Taliban have not changed their

thinking or their leadership," said Haroun Mir, political analyst in the Afghan capital. "What we are more worried about is if tomorrow the Taliban say 'we are ready to negotiate,' who will represent Kabul? That is the big challenge because the government is so divided, not just ideologically but on ethnic lines."

Efforts to find a peaceful end to Afghanistan's protracted war have accelerated since Washington appointed Afghan-American Zalmay Khalilzad as envoy to find a peaceful end to America's longest war, which has cost the U.S. more than \$900 billion.

Mohammed Ismail Qasimyar, a member of a government peace council, warned Washington against negotiating peace terms with the Taliban, saying Khalilzad's only job is to set the stage for direct talks between the Afghan government and the Taliban, something the insurgents have so far refused, calling the government a U.S. puppet.

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MILITARY

Report details allegations against general

BY BRIAN FERGUSON
Stars and Stripes

An Air Force brigadier general harassed subordinates, didn't report suicide attempts and misused government equipment on multiple occasions, according to an inspector general report released this week.

The redacted report obtained by Stars and Stripes documented five substantiated allegations levied against Brig. Gen. Paul W. Tibbets IV during his tenure as commander of the 509th Bomb Wing at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., from June 2015 to July 2017.

Tibbets was not allowed to pin on a second star, received a letter of admonishment and was scheduled to retire after Oct. 19, following the end of his leave, Air Force officials told Stars and Stripes in September.

The report substantiated an allegation that Tibbets was derelict in the performance of his duties when he did not report suicide attempts through the official Commander's Critical Information Requirements report, or CCIR, and when on two occasions he questioned the medical diagnosis of a suicide attempt.

Tibbets also pressured his medical team not to report suicide attempts through their channels, according to the report.

Tibbets questioned the diagnosis of an airman who had accidentally overdosed three times.

"I do not believe this is an actual suicide attempt and therefore have not sent up a

CCIR" to Air Force Global Strike Command, Tibbets stated in a February 2017 email. "Based on this Airman's pattern of behavior, we think this is a 'cry for help' (wanting attention)."

While medical personnel did report the suicide attempt through their own channels, Tibbets did not. In June 2017, the airman died by suicide.

By challenging the diagnoses, "Tibbets was negligent in that he exhibited a lack of due care which a reasonably prudent person would have exercised under the same or similar circumstances," the report stated.

Conduct unbecoming

In a substantiated allegation of conduct unbecoming an officer, Tibbets was quoted as saying, in reference to an enlisted female, "Isn't she such a beautiful young lady?" and "If only she didn't sleep with married men."

That came after Tibbets repeatedly asked the airman why she had lost a rank stripe during her time at Whiteman.

"I decided to tell him mostly because I did not want him to keep asking and I would say that was really it," the airman told investigators. "I knew that he could find out why anyway ... so I'd rather have him hear it from me and be open and honest about it, but I really just wanted him to stop asking me."

The airman had been demoted from air-

man first class after receiving nonjudicial punishment for having an unprofessional relationship with a married man. Tibbets took an interest in her and the report stated that she had greatly admired Tibbets.

The airman's command stated that because of Tibbets' comments and actions, the airman's work suffered, her morale deteriorated and the public affairs office's mission suffered.

"It hurt her morale. Hurt her perception of other leaders," one of her supervisors stated during an IG interview.

"It made her, I think, uncomfortable moving forward ... so we had to adjust schedules to try and keep her away, from you know covering events that he was going to be at. It's just something I certainly would never have said."

Tibbets told investigators that he did not recall making the comments.

Other substantiated allegations included making inappropriate comments about women to subordinates while at a Kansas City Chiefs football game after he said a woman had "a large rack."

It was also alleged he improperly accepted almost \$1,500 worth in autographs and photos during Stealth Con, a base-

sponsored event. Celebrities at the convention included actor Casper Van Dien from "Starship Troopers," Ernie Hudson from "Ghostbusters" and David Vost from "Mighty Morphin Power Rangers."

Tibbets also allegedly misused government equipment on at least 27 separate occasions when he received rides from his residence to and from Kansas City International Airport, two hours away from Whiteman. The rides violated Air Force regulations and Tibbets' own transportation policy letter on the use of government vehicles.

"First of all, I get a lot of letters," Tibbets said in his IG interview. "I've been doing it for six months already, so it never dawned on me that this was an issue with that or anything else; it was just a policy letter that I signed."

Tibbets said if he had been made aware of the problem, he would have had a conversation with his staff on how to proceed.

Tibbets last served as commander for Air Force Global Strike Command and deputy commander of Air Forces Strategic-Air, U.S. Strategic Command, at Barksdale Air Force Base, La.

Tibbets declined comment when contacted by email in early October.

Tibbets' grandfather was Brig. Gen. Paul W. Tibbets Jr., who dropped an atomic bomb on Hiroshima in 1945 as the pilot of the Enola Gay.

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Tibbets

US, NATO flex military might in Europe exercise

By SCOTT WYLAND
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TRONDHEIM, Norway — NATO on Tuesday showcased how its land, sea and air forces would respond to an adversary that invades an alliance member — a thinly veiled reference to the threat posed by neighboring Russia.

The military demonstration at a wind-blown waterfront site near Trondheim was part of the massive, two-week Trident Juncture exercise and displayed the allies' combined firepower to NATO dignitaries, foreign observers and the international media.

Military officials have stated that the exercise is not targeting any one country. But the fictitious scenario involves repelling a "near-peer" threat in Europe. NATO has been reassuring its allies in Eastern Europe against potential threats posed by Russia, whose military has grown more assertive since it annexed Ukraine's Crimean Peninsula in 2014.

Last week, Moscow informed NATO that it plans to conduct a missile test in the North Atlantic, in the vicinity of where much of Trident Juncture is taking place. That announcement comes following Russia's largest war games since the 1980s, together with China and Mongolia, as part of the Vostok-18 drills in eastern Siberia and the Far East in September.

NATO Secretary-General Jens Stoltenberg told reporters Tues-

day that the missile test is no call for alarm and he expects Russia to conduct itself safely and professionally. It's important to coexist peacefully with Russia, he said.

"We don't want a new Cold War," Stoltenberg said. "We don't want a new arms race."

Trident Juncture is a defensive exercise aimed at preparing and testing allies' teamwork in the face of a crisis, he added.

Tuesday's well-orchestrated drills offered observers a glimpse of the 50,000 personnel, 65 warships and 250 aircraft participating in NATO's largest war games since the end of the Cold War.

Seven frigates, 32 fighter jets, 14 helicopters, several armored vehicles and about 3,000 personnel took part in Tuesday's mock defense of the Norwegian coast.

Fighter jets roared overhead, and a phalanx of frigates kept vigil in a fjord while Marines made a simulated amphibious assault on a rural shoreline.

"We train to send a clear message to our own nations and to anyone who might want to challenge us," Stoltenberg said. "NATO is ready and NATO is able to protect all our allies against any threat."

All 29 NATO countries, along with partners Sweden and Finland, are taking part in the exercise. The U.S. is the largest participant, with more than 14,000 servicemembers from the Army, Air Force, Navy and Marine Corps.

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Above: A simulated amphibious assault was part of a mock defense of a Norwegian coastal area on Tuesday during Trident Juncture. Left: Marines secure the area after making an amphibious landing as part of a NATO demonstration of how its land, sea and air forces would defend a Norwegian coastal region. The drill was one of many being conducted during NATO's largest war games since the Cold War.

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Stars and Stripes

NATION

Funerals begin as Trump heads to Pittsburgh

By MARVCLAIRE DALE
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Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — Pittsburgh's Jewish community began burying its dead Tuesday in the wake of the deadliest anti-Semitic attack in American history.

The casket of Dr. Jerry Rabinowitz, a family doctor known for his caring and kindness, was taken to the Jewish Community Center in Pittsburgh's Squirrel Hill neighborhood for the first of 11 funerals.

Funerals were also set Tuesday for Cecil and David Rosenthal, two intellectually disabled brothers in their 50s, and Daniel Stein, a man seen as part of the core of his congregation.

Other victims' funerals have been scheduled through Friday in a week of mourning, anger and questions about the rampage at Tree of Life synagogue that authorities say was carried out Saturday by a gunman who raged against Jews.

President Donald Trump and first lady Melania Trump planned to visit Pittsburgh on Tuesday to "express the support of the American people and to grieve with the Pittsburgh community," the White House said.

The plan elicited mixed feelings in Pittsburgh.

Tree of Life Rabbi Jeffrey Myers told CNN that the president is "certainly welcome," while Democratic Mayor Bill Peduto asked Trump not to come while the city was burying its dead.

Some other people, including shooting survivor Barry Werber, weren't keen on a visit from a president who has embraced the politically fraught term "nationalist." Some have accused the president of helping to create the corrosive political atmosphere that may have led to the violence.

The man arrested in the massacre, Robert Gregory Bowers, 46, appeared briefly Monday in federal court, where he was ordered held without bail for a preliminary hearing on Thursday. He did not enter a plea. The truck driver faces hate-crime charges that could bring the death penalty.

The attack killed some of the synagogue's most dedicated members. The oldest victim was Rose Mallingner, 97. At 54, David Rosenthal was the youngest.

He and Cecil, 59, lived at a building run by Achieva, a disability services organization that had worked with the brothers for years. David had worked with Achieva's cleaning site and at Goodwill Industries, and Cecil was hoping to start a job soon at a workplace services company, Achieva spokeswoman Lisa Razza told the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette.

David was quieter than Cecil, who had a sociable personality that earned him a reputation as "the honorary mayor of Squirrel Hill," a historic Jewish enclave in Pittsburgh.

"They were lovely souls, and they lived for the congregation" at Tree of Life, said Brian Schreiber, a member who is also president of the Jewish Community Center



GENE J. PUSKAS/AP

Mourners arrive at the Jewish Community Center in Pittsburgh on Tuesday for the funeral of Dr. Jerry Rabinowitz, one of 11 people killed while worshipping at the Tree of Life Synagogue on Saturday.



PHOTOS BY MATT ROUBICE/AP

Above and below: Mourners react outside Rodef Shalom Congregation during the funeral services for brothers Cecil and David Rosenthal.



of Greater Pittsburgh.

Rabinowitz, 66, had a family medicine practice and was affiliated with UPMC Shadyside hospital. The UPMC hospital system described him as one of its "kindest physicians."

Rabinowitz was a go-to doctor for HIV patients in the epidemic's early and desperate days, a physician who "always hugged us as we left his office," according to Michael Kerr, who credits Rabinowitz with helping him survive.

"Thank you," Kerr wrote on

Facebook, "for having always been there during the most terrifying and frightening time of my life. ... You are one of my heroes."

Stein, 71, was a visible member of Pittsburgh's Jewish community, where he was the men's club president at Tree of Life. He was among a trio of members who made up the "religious heart" of New Light Congregation, one of three congregations that worship at the synagogue, co-President Stephen Cohen said.

Powerful humanity of Jewish hospital staff

By ELI ROSENBERG
The Washington Post

The man accused in the brutal killings of 11 people in a synagogue Pittsburgh was taken to the hospital after he was apprehended to be treated for the injuries he suffered in a gunfight with the police.

In the emergency room when he arrived, he was shouting, "I want to kill all the Jews," according to the hospital's president.

If he only knew then about the identity of the team tasked with keeping him alive: At least three of the doctors and nurses who cared for him at the Allegheny General Hospital were Jewish, according to President Jeffrey K. Cohen.

"We're here to take care of sick people," Cohen, a member of the Tree of Life congregation where the massacre happened, said in a television interview. "We're not here to judge you. We're not here to ask 'Do you have insurance?' or 'Do you not have insurance?' We're here to take care of people that need our help."

Cohen's simple and unapologetic description of how Bowers came to be treated fairly and impartially by the very people he had supposedly hated has traveled quickly around the world.

Perhaps it is a stark reminder that there is something more powerful than caring only for one's own. Perhaps it was Cohen's radical demonstration of humanity in an era increasingly marked by naked partisanship and tribalism. Either way, the story has resonated. Cohen has been interviewed by CNN, Britain's Channel 4 News, ABC and others.

Leading by example

"I thought it was important to at least talk to him and meet him," Cohen told ABC. "You can't on one hand say we should talk to each other and then I don't talk to him. So you lead by example, and I'm the leader of the hospital."

The exact nature of Bowers' injuries are not immediately clear, though he appeared in court in a wheelchair Monday. Cohen, citing patient privacy laws, declined to give specifics about Bowers' condition and treatment.

But Cohen told reporters that two of the practitioners who treated Bowers when he arrived at the hospital were Jewish: the attending emergency room doctor and a nurse, whose father is a rabbi.

"I will tell you that I'm very proud of them," he said of his staff. "They did a great job.

They answered the bell."

He described talking to the nurse after the man treated Bowers. The two were in tears, Cohen said.

"He was pretty broken," Cohen told the Pittsburgh Tribune-Review. "I told him how proud I was. He went home and hugged his parents."

Cohen is personally connected to the shooting beyond his role at the hospital. He lives so close to Tree of Life synagogue that he heard the gunshots as the massacre unfolded. He knew nine of the people who were killed, he told the Tribune-Review.

Still, that didn't stop him from going to check in on Bowers to ask him whether he was in pain. The man said he was fine.

Unfortunate parallels

"He asked me who I was, I said 'I'm Dr. Cohen, the president of the hospital,'" Cohen said. "And I turned around and left. And the FBI agent that was guarding him said, 'I don't know that I could have done that.'"

Bowers, who is charged with 29 counts of federal crimes for violence and firearms-related offenses, may face the death penalty if he is convicted.

The massacre has drawn some unfortunate parallels with the murder of nine blacks at a South Carolina church in 2015. That man, Dylann Roof, was motivated by a deep racial animus — something Bowers appears to share with him.

Cohen's calm was reminiscent of the actions of the churchgoers after Roof's massacre, with some telling Roof during a tense hearing held just days after the killing that they forgave him. Cohen said he was inspired by the grace that congregation had showed.

"I think that at some point the anger will die down, the process will unfold and we might be able to get to the point where we could do what they did," he told Pittsburgh's Action 4 News. "I hope they could teach us."

Cohen said he saw Bowers as the product and not the originator of larger problems: "All the chaos that's going on."

"The gentlemen didn't appear to be a member of the Mensa society," he told CNN. "He listens to the noise, he hears the noise; the noise was telling him his people were being slaughtered. He thought it was time to rise up and do something. He's completely confused."

NATION

Official: Pipe bomb suspect kept a list, possibly of targets

By CURT ANDERSON
AND MICHAEL BALSAMO
Associated Press

MIAMI — Law enforcement officials aren't sure whether they've discovered the last of the pipe bombs mailed to prominent Democrats and other opponents of President Donald Trump. They've said the packages were staggered, and more could be somewhere in the U.S. mail system.

What's more, an official told The Associated Press that the man suspected of sending the bombs kept a list of elected officials and others who investigators believe were intended targets.

The disclosure of the list came as Cesar Sayoc, 56, made his initial court appearance in Miami federal court Monday and after bomb squads were called to a post office in Atlanta about a suspicious mailing to CNN that was similar to the pipe bomb packages recovered last week.

The official said authorities had recovered soldering equipment, a printing stamps similar to those used on the package bombs after arresting Sayoc last week in Florida.

Authorities believe he was put-

ting explosives together in his van.

The official also said authorities have been scrutinizing Sayoc's social media posts. The official wasn't authorized to discuss the ongoing investigation and spoke to the AP on condition of anonymity.

The FBI said via its Twitter account that the recovered package in Atlanta was "similar in appearance" to the bubble-wrapped manila envelopes authorities say were sent by Sayoc to intended targets from Delaware to California, including former President Barack Obama, former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton and former Vice President Joe Biden.

CNN President Jeff Zucker said all mail to CNN has been screened offsite since last week, when a series of package bombs began appearing around the country. Among them were two apparent mail bombs sent to CNN.

At least some listed a return address of U.S. Rep. Debbie Wasserman Schultz, former chair of the Democratic National Committee.

She represents the South Florida district where the former male stripper, pizza driver and strip-club DJ lived in an old van covered with bumper stickers praising



DAVID GOLDMAN/AP

Law enforcement officials gather outside a U.S. postal facility after reports that a suspicious package was found in Atlanta on Monday.

Trump, disparaging Democrats and CNN and showing rifle cross-hairs over liberals including Clinton, commentator Van Jones and filmmaker Michael Moore.

Sayoc was arrested Friday outside a South Florida auto parts store after investigators said they identified him through fingerprint and DNA evidence. He faces more than 50 years in prison if convicted on all charges. None of the bombs exploded, and no one was injured.

At Monday's hearing, federal prosecutors said they will seek to keep Sayoc jailed until trial as a flight risk and a danger to the community. A judge set another

hearing for Friday on whether to grant bail to Sayoc and to discuss when he will be sent from Miami to New York, where five federal charges were filed.

Shackled at the wrists and ankles in a tan jail jumpsuit, Sayoc became weepy at one point, but said little at the hearing.

Defense attorney Daniel Aaronson urged people not to rush to judgment.

"Right now, we know very, very, very little," Aaronson said. "We do not know all the evidence the government has. You have to keep in mind he has not been found guilty of anything."

The FBI said it believes the

package intended for CNN headquarters in Atlanta that was discovered Monday is similar to those that Sayoc is accused of sending. Law enforcement officials have said they believe the packages were staggered and more could be discovered.

The New York Times said in a staff memo that it was notified by the FBI on Monday that one of its editors was on a list of potential targets of the mail-bomb suspect.

Later that day, an envelope addressed to the editor raised concerns, but New York police determined that it was a false alarm. The editor was not identified.

For churches, it's security vs. outreach

By ADAM BEAM
AND BRUCE SCHREINER
Associated Press

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Before he was accused of shooting and killing two black people in a Kentucky grocery store last week, Gregory Bush knocked on the door of a predominantly black church.

On Saturday, a man killed 11 people in the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh, adding to a growing list of violence at houses of worship.

The violence has prompted church leaders to grapple with finding a balance between securing their congregations and maintaining robust outreach programs they say are the core of their faith.

"I think it is sad you have to even lock the doors of the church," Nelson said.

"It was just the mindset where I grew up: you didn't do certain things around the house of worship or even among the people of God. All that is changed today."

In March, the Kentucky Baptist Convention — one of the state's largest denominations — held a statewide church security conference for the first time. More than



SCOTT UTTERBACK, (LOUISVILLE, KY.) COURIER-JOURNAL/AP

Gregory Bush, right, is arraigned on two counts of murder and 10 counts of weapon endangerment Thursday in Louisville, Ky.

1,000 people attended, said Paul Chitwood, the convention's executive director.

He said many people come to church because "they are hurting and they are confused."

"The church wants to receive those people. And just because somebody looks different or acts a little different, well, we want them in our churches," he said.

"But sometimes there is an individual who wants to do harm.

We want for our churches to be prepared to respond to that and protect the congregants."

Nelson said his church, which is not affiliated with the Kentucky Baptist Convention, has police officers in their services. He said they would likely "tighten up" security. In the meantime, he said he is praying for the victims and for the men charged with the crimes.

"Every soul is precious to God," he said. "And it should be to us."

Conflict over bullying escalates to shooting of NC high school student

The Charlotte (N.C.) Observer

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — A conflict related to bullying escalated to a fatal shooting at Butler High School in Matthews on Monday, leaving one student dead and another charged with his killing, authorities said.

Authorities have identified the victim and suspect. Victim Bobby McKeithen, 16, was a sophomore at the school campus, Matthews police Capt. Stason Tyrrell said.

The suspect is a ninth-grader at Butler, Tyrrell said. Jatwan Craig Cuffie, 16, has been charged with first-degree murder, according to Tyrrell and jail records.

McKeithen was taken to Carolinas Medical Center, where he died, police said.

The shooting appeared to be an isolated incident caused by conflict between two students, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools Superintendent Clayton Wilcox said.

Wilcox said the conflict was related to "bullying." Asked who was bullying whom, Tyrrell refused to answer.

The shooting occurred in a hallway early Monday, and there were many "young people who wit-

nessed this tragedy," Wilcox said.

The shooting occurred about 7:15 a.m., when classes started. A school resource officer was nearby, and officials were able to render aid to the injured student and radio for help within the first minute of the shooting, Tyrrell said.

Cuffie's arrest was quick and peaceful, Tyrrell said.

He said a Butler teacher inside the school contacted law enforcement within 10 minutes of the shooting, saying she was with a student who said he was the shooter. Officers were able to get to her and make the arrest soon after, he said.

Wilcox said school officials were not sure how the student was able to get a gun into the school, but they noted that not all bags brought onto campus are "actively" searched by the staff.

"We've worked really hard on school security the last six or seven months," Wilcox said. "We are going to review all our procedures, we are going to review our security plans and perhaps will do things that are a little more aggressive."

NATION



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President Donald Trump, shown at a rally in Murphysboro, Ill., on Saturday, says he wants to end the constitutional right to citizenship for babies of noncitizens and unauthorized immigrants born in the U.S.

Trump seeks to end birthright citizenship for some born in US

BY LAURIE KELLMAN
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Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump is making another headline immigration play in the final days before midterm elections, declaring that he wants to order an end to the constitutional right to citizenship for babies born in the United States to noncitizens. Most scholars think he can't implement such a change unilaterally.

Trump made the comments to "Axios on HBO." Seeking to energize his supporters and help Republicans keep control of Congress, he has stoked anxiety about a caravan of Central American migrants making its way to the U.S.-Mexico border. He is dispatching additional troops and saying he'll set up tent cities for asylum-seekers.

Trump has long called for an end to birthright citizenship, as have many conservatives. An executive order would spark an uphill legal battle for Trump about whether the president has the unilateral ability to declare that children born in the U.S. to those living here illegally aren't citizens. Most scholars think he can't.

Asked about the legality of such an executive order, Trump said, "They're saying I can do it just with an executive order." He added that "we're the only country in the world where a person comes in and has a baby, and the baby is essentially a citizen of the United States." A 2010 study from the Center for Immigration Studies, a group that supports immigration restrictions, showed 30 nations offer birthright citizenship.

The Pew Research Center found in a survey published two years ago that births to "unauthorized immigrants" were declining and accounted for about 1 in 3 births to foreign-born mothers in the U.S. in 2014. About 275,000 babies were born to such parents in 2014, or about 7 per-

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professor, Vanderbilt Law School

cent of the 4 million births in the U.S. that year, according to Pew estimates based on government data. That represented a decline from 330,000 in 2009, at the end of the recession.

An excerpt of Trump's interview was posted on Axios' website Tuesday. The president said White House lawyers are reviewing his proposal. It's unclear how quickly he would act, and the White House did not provide further details.

A person familiar with the internal White House debate said the topic of birthright citizenship had come up inside the West Wing at various times over at least the last year but has some internal detractors. White House lawyers have debated the topic, and expect to work with the Justice Department's Office of Legal Counsel to develop a legal justification for the action. It is one of many immigration changes being discussed including asylum law changes and barring the migrant caravan from entering the country.

But administration officials said there would likely be no decisions until after the midterms, due in part to the president's trip to Pittsburgh.

Legal experts questioned whether Trump has the authority to do this by executive order. Omar Jadwat, director of the Immigrants' Rights Project at the American Civil Liberties Union in New York, said Tuesday that the Constitution is very clear.

"If you are born in the United States, you're a citizen," he said, adding that it was "outrageous

that the president can think he can override constitutional guarantees by issuing an executive order."

Suzanna Sherry, a professor at Vanderbilt Law School specializing in constitutional questions, said those advising Trump that he can change the Constitution via executive order are simply mistaken. "He can't do it by himself and, in fact, he can't do it even if Congress passed a statute."

"I think it would take a constitutional amendment," she said. "I don't see it as having any plausible legal basis," she said.

But others suggest the president may have an opening. Jon Feere, a senior adviser at Immigration and Customs Enforcement, is among those who has long argued that the president could limit the citizenship clause through executive action.

"A president could direct his agencies to fall in line with his interpretation of the Supreme Court's rulings, which are arguably limited to children of permanently domiciled immigrants (the court has never squarely ruled on children born to tourists or illegal aliens). He could direct his agencies to issue Social Security numbers and passports only to newborns who have at least one parent who is a citizen or permanently domiciled immigrant," he wrote in 2015 in an op-ed in *The Hill*.

In the final days before the Nov. 6 midterms, Trump has emphasized immigration as he seeks to counter Democratic enthusiasm. Trump believes that his campaign pledges, including his much-vaunted and still-unfulfilled promise to quickly build a U.S.-Mexico border wall, are still rallying cries for his base and that this latest focus will further erode the enthusiasm gap.

The Citizenship Clause of the 14th Amendment states: "All persons born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the state wherein they reside."

Debate renewed over 'domestic terrorism' cases

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The package bombs sent to Democrats across the country and the killings of Jews at a Pittsburgh synagogue may seem like clear-cut cases of terrorism. But the suspects will almost certainly never face terrorism charges.

The reason: There's no domestic terrorism law.

Whether there should be one is a matter of debate. On one hand, there's the belief that white supremacists who kill for ideology should get the same terrorism label as Islamic State supporters. On the other, there's concern about infringing on constitutional guarantees to protect free speech, no matter how abhorrent.

In the absence of domestic terrorism laws, the Justice Department relies on other statutes to prosecute ideologically motivated violence by people with no international ties. That makes it hard to track how often extremists driven by religious, racial or anti-government bias commit violence in the U.S. It also complicates efforts to develop a universally accepted domestic terrorism definition.

The discussion in some ways is more about labels than consequences. Even without a specific law, the Justice Department has other tools available — including explosives, hate crime and firearm possession charges. The penalty can easily be every bit as severe as in the international terrorism cases the Justice Department routinely brings against people who align themselves with foreign extremist groups and carry out violence in their names.

Both Cesar Sayoc, accused of sending more than a dozen explosive packages to high-profile critics of President Donald Trump, and Robert Bowers, accused of killing 11 inside a Pittsburgh synagogue, could face decades in prison. In the case of Bowers, charged in a 29-count complaint with federal crimes including using a firearm to commit murder and obstructing the free ex-

ercise of religion, prosecutors intend to seek the death penalty. The same punishment was sought for Dylann Roof in the 2015 shooting at a black church in South Carolina.

Prosecutors are treating the synagogue shooting as a hate crime rather than domestic terrorism.

Opponents of domestic terrorism laws say prosecutors already have enough tools. They worry what would happen if law enforcement were empowered to apply the same tools to a domestic investigation, like a secret warrant to monitor communications, as they have for international investigations. They also contend that increased powers could run afoul of civil liberties protection.

"You want to be really careful given the current political context about who would be put on that list because you don't want them put on there for purely punitive reasons," said Karen Greenberg, director of Fordham University law school's Center on National Security.

But advocates of a domestic terrorism law say without a specific statute, cases that could all be charged under a single law are instead brought under a hodgepodge of others and sometimes prosecuted as state or local terrorism offenses, making it virtually impossible to identify trends.

When an attack occurs, "you have to find the criminal laws that may apply based upon the specific facts that may apply," said Joshua Zive, outside counsel to the FBI Agents Association.

"When it does that, you've then lost the ability to kind of measure those prosecutions from a domestic terrorism standpoint. They've been essentially spread to the wind based on what the individual facts might be," he said.

The Justice Department, acknowledging the homegrown extremism threat, appointed a domestic terrorism counsel in 2015 to coordinate the work of U.S. attorneys. But though ideas for a broader statute have been kicked around, Zive said he could not recall any "viable" proposal.

Gangster Bulger found dead in W.Va. prison

BRUCETON MILLS, W.Va. — Notorious Boston gangster James "Whitey" Bulger has died in federal custody nearly five years after being sentenced to spend the rest of his life in prison.

Officials with the Federal Bureau of Prisons say he died Tuesday in West Virginia. He was 89.

Bulger led a largely Irish mob that ran loan-sharking, gambling and drug rackets in the Boston

area. He also served as an FBI informant who rattled on his gang's main rival. He became one of the nation's most-wanted fugitives after fleeing Boston in 1994. After more than 16 years on the run, Bulger was captured at age 81 in Santa Monica, Calif., where he had been living with his long-time girlfriend, Catherine Greig. In 2013, Bulger was convicted of part of the 11 murders in the 1970s and '80s and sentenced to two consecutive life sentences.

From The Associated Press

NATION

Election integrity relies on security-challenged firms

By FRANK BAJAK
Associated Press

The ultimate gatekeepers of U.S. election integrity may well be its weakest security link.

A trio of privately held companies sells and services more than 90 percent of U.S. elections systems. But the companies have long stressed convenience for its customers over product security, security experts and elections officials said.

That complicates efforts to detect a repeat of Russia's 2016 election meddling or other intrusions by sophisticated hackers.

The three companies — ES&S, of Omaha, Neb.; Dominion Voting Systems, of Denver; and Hart InterCivic, of Austin, Texas — face little public accountability and operate under a shroud of financial and operational secrecy despite their pivotal role underpinning American democracy.

They face scant federal oversight yet effectively run elections, directly or through subcontractors, in much of the nation — especially where tech expertise and budgets are thin. No federal authority accredits the vendors or vets them.

High barriers to entry and low profits discourage the very innovations that could enhance security, experts say.

"They cobble things together as well as they can" because building truly secure systems would likely erase their profits, said University of Connecticut election technology expert Alexander Schwartzman.

Executives of all three of the top vendors refused to discuss their companies' finances and have resisted exposing their products to the scrutiny of independent researchers and Congress.

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Wyden, an Oregon Democrat, complained in a July congressional hearing.

The top three vendors call such concerns overblown and say there is no indication hackers have penetrated any of their systems.

But authorities say serious election mischief may have gone unnoticed, and hackers could theoretically wreak havoc at multiple stages of the election process. They could alter or erase lists of registered voters to sow confusion, secretly introduce software to flip votes, scramble tabulation systems or knock results-reporting sites offline with denial-of-service attacks.

On July 13, U.S. special counsel Robert Mueller indicted 12 Russian military intelligence operatives for, among other things, infiltrating state and local election systems.

Election vendors have long resisted open-ended vulnerability testing by independent, ethical hackers — a process that aims to identify weaknesses an adversary could exploit. Such testing is now standard for the Pentagon and major banks.

Nevertheless, the vendors insist security is a priority. ES&S, for instance, said in an email that "any assertions about resistance to input on security are simply untrue" and argued that for decades the company has "been successful in protecting the voting process."

Experts point to numerous indications of sloppy software development and unfixed vulnerabilities.

"The industry continues to stonewall the problem," said Bruce McConnell, a Department of Homeland Cybersecurity czar during the Obama administration. Election vendor executives issue bland assurances but don't, for instance, offer "bug bounties" to researchers who look for software flaws, he said.

In July, ES&S told The Associated Press that it allows independent, open-ended testing of its corporate systems as well as its products. But the company would not name the testers and declined to provide documentation of the testing or its results.

Dominion's vice president of government affairs, Kay Stimson, said her company has also had independent third parties probe its systems but would not name them or share details.

Hart InterCivic, the No. 3 vendor, said it has done the same using the Canadian cybersecurity firm Bulletproof but would not discuss the results.

ES&S hired its first chief information security officer in April. None of the big three would say how many cybersecurity experts they employ. Dominion's Stimson said "employee confidentiality and security protections outweigh any potential disclosure."

During this year's primary elections, ES&S technology stumbled on several fronts.

In Los Angeles County, more than 118,000 names were left off printed voter rolls. A subsequent outside audit blamed sloppy system integration by an ES&S subsidiary during a database merge.



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Election Systems & Software CEO Tom Burt, right, looks at some of the company's election equipment at a National Association of Secretaries of State convention in Philadelphia in July. Experts say top election vendors have long skimmed on security.

No such audit was done in Kansas' most populous county after a different sort of error in newly installed ES&S systems delayed the vote count by 13 hours as data uploading from thumb drives crawled.

University of Iowa computer scientist Douglas Jones said both incidents reveal mediocre programming and insufficient pre-election testing. And voting equipment vendors have never seemed security-conscious "in any phase of their design," he said.

California, New York and Colorado are among states that tend to keep a close eye on the vendors. States with cozier relationships have in the past let them use remote-access software to do maintenance on election systems, a

widely discredited security faux pas.

And ES&S continues to sell vote-tabulation systems equipped with cellular modems, a feature experts say hackers could potentially exploit, entering election management modules and tampering with vote counts.

A few states ban such wireless connections. Maryland recently got rid of them, and Alabama forced ES&S in January to remove them from machines.

Said John Bennett, the Alabama secretary of state's deputy chief of staff who worked on the issue, "It seemed like there was a lot more emphasis about how cool the machines could be than there was actual evidence that they were secure."

Carter urges Kemp to resign as Ga. secretary of state



JOHN BAZEMORE/AP

In a letter, former President Jimmy Carter asked Republican gubernatorial nominee Brian Kemp to resign from his post as Georgia secretary of state.

By FELICIA SONMEZ
The Washington Post

Georgia Democratic gubernatorial nominee Stacey Abrams' campaign is calling attention to a letter in which former president Jimmy Carter urged Abrams' Republican opponent, Brian Kemp, to resign as Georgia's secretary of state, arguing that "public confidence is threatened" by Kemp's dual role as candidate and overseer of the state's elections.

Carter, who still lives in his Georgia hometown with his wife, Rosalynn, sent the letter to Kemp last week.

Kemp's role as candidate and secretary of state "runs counter to the most fundamental principle of democratic elections — that the electoral process be managed by an independent and impartial election

authority," Carter said in the letter.

"In order to foster voter confidence in the upcoming election, which will be especially important if the race ends up very close, I urge you to step aside and hand over to a neutral authority the responsibility of overseeing the governor's election," Carter said.

Kemp and Abrams are locked in a competitive battle that has been marked by tensions over race and voting rights.

Last year, Georgia passed an "exact match" voter registration law that critics argue is aimed at keeping minority voters from the polls. According to The Associated Press, 53,000 voter registration applications — most of them belonging to black voters — are on hold due to discrepancies between the information on the forms and residents' information on file. Separately,

elections officials have also come under criticism for the rejection of hundreds of absentee ballots.

Abrams, who would become the nation's first black female governor, has called Kemp an "architect of voter suppression for the last decade" and argued that he has "tried to steal the right to vote from 53,000 Georgians."

Kemp has maintained that anyone whose registration has been put on hold can vote on Election Day so long as they bring the proper ID.

In a statement, Kemp spokesman Ryan Mahoney said that it was "sad" to see Abrams "using the former president to do her dirty work" and accused the Democrat of "trying to distract voters with another publicity stunt."

BUSINESS/WEATHER

IBM joins cloud market with Red Hat deal

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Bloomberg

IBM's \$33 billion purchase of Red Hat — the world's second-largest technology deal — is aimed at catapulting the company into the ranks of the top cloud software competitors.

The cash deal, IBM's biggest by far, boosts the 107-year-old computer services giant's credentials overnight in the fast-growing and lucrative cloud market — and gives it much-needed potential for real revenue growth. The company once synonymous with mainframe computing has been slow to adopt cloud-related technologies and has had to play catch-up to market leaders Amazon.com and Microsoft in offering computing and other software

and services over the internet. Shares of IBM slumped in pre-market U.S. trading.

"The acquisition of Red Hat is a game-changer," Ginni Rometty, chairman and chief executive officer of International Business Machines, said in a statement Sunday. "It changes everything about the cloud market."

IBM has seen revenue decline by almost a quarter since Rometty took the CEO role in 2012. While some of that has been from divestitures, most is from declining sales in existing hardware, software and services offerings as the company has struggled to compete with younger technology companies. She has been trying to steer IBM toward more modern businesses such as the cloud, artificial intelligence and security software with inconsistent results.

IBM shares declined about

5 percent in early U.S. trading Monday. The stock has dropped 19 percent this year, giving it a market value of \$114 billion.

In its third-quarter earnings report, IBM disappointed investors who were seeking more progress in those areas after six years of declining sales that had only recently started to show gains. Still, the improvements had been coming largely from IBM's legacy mainframe business rather than its so-called strategic imperatives. Cloud revenue grew 10 percent in the period to \$4.5 billion, but that was slower than the 20 percent expansion in the second quarter.

The Red Hat deal could signal to investors that IBM wasn't as well-positioned in cloud as it had been claiming, said Jim Suva, an analyst at Citigroup Research. "We expect investor skepticism

around the deal given IBM's messaging that it is well underway in its transformation," he said.

Investors have grown impatient as the stock has dropped 31 percent over the last five years. Warren Buffett virtually gave up on IBM last year. His conglomerate, Berkshire Hathaway, cut its stake in the company by 94 percent while increasing its investment in Apple.

The Red Hat deal represents an admission by Rometty that in-house growth wasn't going to be enough to keep IBM from falling permanently behind in a market that is growing in importance and size.

Acquiring Red Hat makes IBM "a credible player in cloud now," Bloomberg Intelligence analyst Anurag Rana said. "This gives them an asset that looks forward and not backwards."

Revenue at Red Hat, which sells software and services based on the open-source Linux operating system, is expected to top \$3 billion for the first time this year as the company's Red Hat Enterprise Linux product attracts business from large customers.

Armonk, N.Y.-based IBM will continue to offer its dividend and neither company will cut jobs after the deal, Rometty said.

"This is an acquisition for revenue growth; this is not for cost synergies" she said.

EXCHANGE RATES

Military rates	
Euro costs (Oct. 31)	\$1.1656
Dollar buys (Oct. 31)	69.8579
British pound (Oct. 31)	\$1.31
Japanese yen (Oct. 31)	109.60
South Korean won (Oct. 31)	1,113.00
Commercial rates	
Bahrain (Dinar)	0.3769
British pound	\$1.2769
Canada (Dollar)	1.3118
China (Yuan)	6.8655
Denmark (Krone)	6.56
Egypt (Pound)	17.9348
Euro	\$1.1375/0.8791
Hong Kong (Dollar)	7.8456
Hungary (Forint)	285.63
Israel (Shekel)	3.7091
Japan (Yen)	112.88
Kuwait (Dinar)	0.3038
Norway (Krone)	8.3868
Philippines (Peso)	53.52
Poland (Zloty)	3.81
Saudi Arabia (Riyal)	3.7512
Singapore (Dollar)	1.3828
South Korea (Won)	1,137.55
Switzerland (Franc)	1.0028
Thailand (Baht)	33.27
Turkey (Lira)	6.4735

Military exchange rates are those available to customers at military banking facilities in the country of issuance for Japan, South Korea, Germany, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom for nonlocal currency exchange rates (i.e., purchasing British pounds in Germany), check with your local military banking facility. Commercial rates are interbank rates provided for reference when buying currency. All figures are foreign currencies to one dollar, except for the British pound, which is represented in dollars-to-pound, and the euro, which is dollars-to-euro.)

INTEREST RATES

Prime rate	5.25
Discount rate	2.75
Federals funds market rate	2.00
3-month bill	2.31
30-year bond	3.33

Musk: Tweet that cost \$20M was 'worth it'

By TAYLOR TELFORD
The Washington Post

Elon Musk, Tesla's chief executive and author of one of the world's most expensive weed jokes, has said a tweet that got him sued by the Securities and Exchange Commission and cost him \$20 million was "worth it."

Musk, 47, had been trumpeting how "hardcore" Twitter was Friday evening, heralding the platform's tough atmosphere and rampant criticism, when a follower asked him about the flippant August tweet about taking Tesla private.

James Patten tweeted "How about that one that cost you 20M, how was the 'like' ratio on that

one?"

Musk tweeted "Worth it" Less than an hour later, Musk informed his 22 million followers that he would be taking a break from Twitter "for a few days."

The SEC slapped Musk with a lawsuit Sept. 27, almost two months after he tweeted about having secured funding to take Tesla private at \$420 a share. The lawsuit accused Musk of lying to investors and sought to ban him from serving as chief executive of any public company.

Later, Musk clarified that the tweet had been a joke. He said he'd chosen the number \$420 "because he had recently learned about the number's significance

in marijuana culture and thought his girlfriend 'would find it funny, which admittedly is not a great reason to pick a price,'" according to the SEC complaint.

The lawsuit rattled Tesla's investors, and the company's stock fell 14 percent in the days that followed. Musk agreed to settle the suit two days after it was filed, stepping down as chairman of Tesla's board and paying a fine of \$20 million. Tesla was also fined \$20 million, and the money will be doled out among "harmful investors," according to the SEC.

Tesla must also appoint an independent chairman by Nov. 13 and keep tighter reins on Musk's public commentary, according to

the settlement agreement. Musk must now have the company sign off on any written statements, including on Twitter, that could be deemed material.

MARKET WATCH

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Dow Jones Industrials	-245.39
Nasdaq composite	-116.92
Standard & Poor's 500	-17.44
Russell 2000	-6.51

WEATHER OUTLOOK



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NATION

Seasonal shape-shifting

Why Halloween pop-ups suddenly possess so many dead retail spaces

By TAYLOR TELFORD
The Washington Post

FALLS CHURCH, Va. — The cavernous remains of this H.H. Gregg are, in festive fashion, loosely disguised as a Spirit Halloween store. Its insides are lined with haunted houses and rusty water towers (both made of flimsy cardboard) and robots with leering pumpkin heads. The walls of costumes almost distract from signage of the store's past life, boasting "Big screens, big selection, big value."

Beneath the faded outlines of the space's former name, posters advertise that Spirit Halloween is now open and now hiring. But in less than two weeks, it will all be gone.

This year, Americans will drop about \$9 billion in celebration of Halloween and its carnival of escapism, a chance to flaunt your self or disappear into someone else. The holiday's craziness and camp are fun precisely because they are temporary, and so are the stores that sell it to us.

Since the mid-2000s, Halloween spending has ballooned, with big jumps in money spent on adult and pet costumes. Anna Serafin Smith, director of media relations for the National Retail Federation, which has done an annual survey on Halloween spending habits since 2003, said the way we celebrate the day has shifted with the rise of social media. Suddenly, trick-or-treating was just a fraction of the festivities as a lot of adult-oriented events, from her crawls to costume parades, flooded the scene.

In all categories — costumes (human and pet), decorations, candy — millennials outspend every other age bracket. Halloween is a festive because it's an opportunity to go wild without the financial pressure of gift-giving associated with other major holidays, Serafin Smith said.

"This is the only time of the year you can be somebody completely different than you are in everyday life," she said. "And it's the only time of year where you can purchase things or splurge on yourself minus gift pressure."

The crowd at Spirit shows the breadth of Halloween's appeal. Men in suits chuckle at raunchy costumes. Two boys dart through the wig section. A little girl squealing as she slides across the tile in slippers that look like furry monster feet.

In the makeup aisle, a girl in a skeleton sweater contemplates a pair of fangs nestled in a miniature coffin. A teen looks at a mother, with a baby on her hip,



Kristin Davis tries on a mask while costume shopping.

listens patiently while her little boy makes an impassioned argument for why he has to be Harry Potter.

All the while, a ghostly chorus howls "This is Halloween" from hidden speakers.

This space for rent

For the pop-up stores — which capture about 35 percent of the annual Halloween market, according to the National Retail Federation — the scramble begins before summer. Their gold mines are the graves of major retailers that have gone under. Toys R Us, Sports Authority and Circuit City often offer ideal homes, with lots of space and high visibility, but the stores aren't necessarily picky, said Motti Farag, a real estate broker with CBRE. It's a win for landlords, who get a tenant that will pay higher rent for just two or three months of occupancy.

"They'll take the tough elbow space no one else wants because they know they're a destination," Farag said. "But this year, Halloween stores have had better luck than ever, with all those well-lit big-box stores that closed."

The pop-up landscape is dominated by chains that open and close hundreds of stores across the country each fall. Spirit Halloween, owned by Spencer Gifts, is operating more than 1,325 stores this year. Party City's pop-up, Halloween City, has 250 locations, with a seasonal workforce of 25,000, according to Ryan Vero, Party City's president of retail.

Although most of the shops open their doors in late summer, Halloween is a holiday of procrastination. Mary Leonard, who has worked at Spirit stores in the region for five years and manages the Falls Church location, said Spirit stores do almost 70 percent of their business in the two weeks before Halloween.

Leonard, 42, said this year — which was supposed to be the last year for highest-ever Halloween spending, according to the Na-



Above: For a few weeks every year, Total Party in Alexandria, Va., is turned into Total Fright, with all things Halloween for sale inside. Left: Alima Traore, left, of Washington, gets help from Spirit Leader McShine at Total Fright.

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tional Retail Federation's survey — has been the busiest she has seen. Every night of the week except Sunday, the store is open until 11 (flyers promise customers can "shop into the dead of night") and the staff always has to nudge people out when it's time to lock up.

"We get so busy on weekends that the stores get tore up pretty bad," Leonard said. "Even when we're going through and cleaning up a dozen times a day."

Leonard can attest to the Halloween fervor among adults; half of the store's costume inventory is for adults. 2018 has also seen a boom in gaming-related costumes, like Kingdom Hearts, Halo and Fortnite, many of which have already sold out.

Spookiness reigns

Seasonal shape-shifting isn't just for the pop-ups, though. Year-round party and costume stores undergo their own transformations to stay competitive with the big chains and value stores like Target and Walmart.

The corridors of the Crystal City mall are a veritable retail cemetery, with dozens of vacant storefronts and boarded windows. But throughout the barren hallways, skeletons in formal wear point toward Total Fright.

For most of the year, the party

and costume store goes by a different name: Total Party. But for now, spookiness reigns.

"Adult female bunny," the owner, Lorzeno Caltigirone, repeats into the phone, as casually as though he's discussing the weather. "Yeah, we have that."

Caltigirone, 45, got his start with a seasonal costume store in Washington before he started Total Party in 2009. Although the store carries costume supplies year-round, he quickly learned that he'd have to make a change to draw customers in.

"People don't want to go to a party store for Halloween stuff," Caltigirone said. "They want to see the word Halloween in the name, or something Halloween-related, or else they don't think you're legit."

Caltigirone does half of his annual business during the month of October, and like the pop-up chains, he makes the bulk of that money in the final two weeks before Halloween. He knows he has to make it count.

"If you have one bad Halloween, you might be able to recover," he said. "But two bad Halloweens could put you out of business."

In the fall, Caltigirone triples his staff and hires security guards to do crowd control. He blares Halloween music and keeps his store tidy and his shelves stocked. The big chains might have better

name recognition, but Caltigirone prizes customer service and an immersive Halloween experience, complete with an "enter at your own risk" spooky zone in the back of the shop (the motion- and clap-activated creatures have been known to startle children into sobs).

Total Fright wins a lot of its Halloween clientele from young city dwellers who would rather not trek out to the suburbs, where most of the pop-up chains are. It also benefits from people's last-minute shopping tendencies and the flaws of online shopping, like poor-fitting costumes and unreliable delivery.

It's not even time for the afternoon rush, but the store is flooded with customers who have come for wigs and weapons, gallons of fake blood and just about every variety of gaudy and silicone. A woman in a baseball cap asks an employee for a Catwoman costume, adding "only because I have to."

"Do I need to change my eyes to be a cute devil?" a girl asks her friend as she considers an array of contact lenses, ranging from milky eyed gold to pupil-erasing black.

Soon, it will get full enough that people will line up outside beneath the pumpkin-shaped countdown clock, a glaring reminder that the "Witching Hour" is almost upon us.

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Migrant caravan demands help from Mexico

By CHRISTOPHER SHERMAN
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Associated Press

NILTEPEC, Mexico — The migrant caravan slowly advancing through southern Mexico is demanding the Mexican government help its 4,000 participants reach Mexico City even as a smaller group of Central Americans entered the country, presumably with the intention of joining it.

Worn down from long miles of walking and frustrated by the caravan's slow progress, some migrants have been dropping out and returning home or applying for protected status in Mexico. Conscious of that frustration, its representatives demanded "safe and dignified" transportation to the capital Monday after the group arrived in the Oaxaca state town of Niltonpec.

The Mexican government has shown no inclination to assist, however, with the exception of its migrant protection agency giving



SANTIAGO BILLY/AP

A new group of Central American migrants are met by Mexican Federal Police after the migrants waded in mass across the Suchiate River that connects Guatemala and Mexico on Monday.

some of the caravan's stragglers rides to the next town over the weekend.

Pueblo Sin Fronteras, a group

supporting the caravan, has said it hopes to hold meetings in Mexico City with federal lawmakers and authorities, as well as representa-

tives of the incoming government, to discuss migrants' rights and the caravan's future.

But Mexican officials seem in-

tent only on seeing the caravan melt away as it travels toward the U.S. border. The government regularly trumpets the number of migrants who have applied for refugee status or asked to return to their home countries.

On Monday, the Federal Police aggressively tried to turn back hundreds more migrants who crossed the Suchiate River to enter Mexico from Guatemala.

A low-flying police helicopter hovered overhead as the migrants waded in large groups across the murky river, apparently trying to use the downdraft from its rotors to discourage them. Guatemala's Noti7 channel reported that one man drowned and aired video of a man dragging a seemingly lifeless body from the river.

But Honduran Vice Foreign Minister Nelly Jerez later told TV station Televisivo that the man was alive and being treated at a hospital in Tapachula, Mexico.

Trump urged to ensure no cover-up in Khashoggi case

Associated Press

ISTANBUL — The Turkish fiancée of slain journalist Jamal Khashoggi has called on President Donald Trump and other leaders to ensure that his death in Istanbul is not covered up, while Saudi Arabia's top prosecutor on Tuesday visited the Saudi consulate where the writer was killed.



Cengiz

Speaking at a memorial in London on Monday, Hatice Cengiz expressed disappointment in the "leadership of many countries." Singling out Trump, she urged him to "help reveal the truth and ensure justice be served."

"He should not pave the way for a cover-up of my fiancée's murder. Let me not let money taint our conscience and compromise our values," she said.

Cengiz also told the memorial that she wishes she had entered the consulate instead of Khashoggi.

She said in reference to an alleged Saudi hit squad sent to kill the Washington Post columnist, "If only I knew that would be the last time I would see my Jamal, his smile, hear his laughter, I would have stood in front of that murderous team myself."

Saudi Arabia's top prosecutor, Saud al-Mojeb, arrived at Istanbul's main courthouse Tuesday for more talks with Istanbul's chief public prosecutor, Irfan Fidan, on the investigation into the killing, Turkey's state-run Anadolu Agency reported.

The two had met for an hour and 15 minutes Monday as part of an agreement between Riyadh and Ankara for cooperation over the investigation.



TATAN SYUFLANA/AP

Indonesian navy frogmen emerge from the water during a search operation for the victims of the crashed Lion Air plane in the waters of Tanjung Karawang, Indonesia, on Tuesday.

Relatives help ID Lion Air crash victims

Associated Press

JAKARTA, Indonesia — Relatives numbed by grief provided samples for DNA tests to help identify victims of the Lion Air plane crash that killed 189 people in Indonesia as accounts emerged Tuesday of problems on the jet's previous flight, including rapid descents that terrified passengers.

Hundreds of rescue personnel searched the sea where the plane crashed northeast of Jakarta, sending 26 body bags to identification experts, while the airline flew dozens of grieving relatives to the country's capital, Jakarta.

The 2-month-old Boeing 737 MAX 8 jet crashed into the Java Sea early Monday, just 13 minutes after taking off from Jakarta for an island off Sumatra. Its pilot requested clearance to return to the airport just two to three minutes after takeoff, indicating a problem, though the cause is still baffling.

Aircraft debris and personal belongings including ID cards, clothing and bags found scattered in the sea were spread out on tarps at a port in north Jakarta and sorted into evidence bags. The chief of the police's medical unit, Arthur Tampi, said it has received

dozens of body parts for identification.

The disaster has reignited concerns about safety in Indonesia's fast-growing aviation industry, which was recently removed from European Union and U.S. blacklists.

Two passengers on the plane's previous flight from Bali to Jakarta on Sunday described issues that caused annoyance and alarm.

Alon Soetanto told TVOne the plane dropped suddenly several times in the first few minutes of its flight.

"About three to eight minutes after it took off, I felt like the plane was losing power and unable to rise. That happened several times during the flight," he said. "We felt like on a roller coaster. Some passengers began to panic and vomit."

His account is consistent with data from flight-tracking sites that show erratic speed, altitude and direction in the minutes after the jet took off. A similar pattern is also seen in data pinged from Monday's fatal flight.

Safety experts cautioned, however, that the data must be checked for accuracy against the plane's "black boxes," which officials are confident will be recovered.

Top court orders Japanese firm to pay 4 Koreans for forced labor

By KIM TONG-HYUNG
Associated Press

SEOUL, South Korea — In a potentially far-reaching decision, South Korea's Supreme Court ruled that a major Japanese steelmaker should compensate four South Koreans for forced labor during Japan's colonial rule of the Korean Peninsula before the end of World War II.

The long-awaited ruling, delivered Tuesday after more than five years of deliberation at Seoul's top court, could have larger implications for similar lawsuits that are pending in South Korea and will likely trigger a diplomatic row between the Asian U.S. allies.

Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe said Tokyo will respond "resolutely" to the ruling, which he described as "impossible in light of international law."

He said the ruling violated a 1965 treaty between Seoul and Tokyo that was accompanied by Japanese payments to restore diplomatic ties. Japanese Foreign Minister Taro Kono said Japan could potentially take the case to the International Court of Justice.

South Korean President Moon Jae-in had no immediate reaction to the ruling. South Korean Foreign Ministry spokesman Noh Kyu-duk said Tokyo and Seoul "should gather wisdom" to prevent the ruling from negatively affecting their relations.

The court said Japan's Nippon Steel & Sumitomo Metal Corp. should provide compensation of \$87,680 to each of the four plaintiffs, who were forced to work at Japanese steel mills from 1941 to 1943. Among them, only Lee Chun-sik, 94, has survived the legal battle, which extended nearly 14 years.



Lee

WORLD

South Sudan rebel leader Machar to return

By SAM MEDNICK
Associated Press

BARCELONA, Spain — South Sudan armed opposition leader Riek Machar is coming home under the country's latest peace deal, more than two years after he fled on foot into exile, a spokesman said Tuesday.

Lam Paul Gabriel told The Associated Press that Machar is returning to take part in a nationwide peace celebration on

Wednesday, leading a small delegation but not bringing his own security despite concerns for his safety.

"If this peace has to be implemented we need to trust each other," the spokesman said. Machar is returning to let everyone know he is ready for peace, he added.

Under the deal signed last month, Machar will be President Salva Kiir's deputy once again. That arrangement has twice col-

lapsed in deadly fighting, once when the civil war broke out in December 2013 and again in July 2016 when an earlier peace agreement collapsed and Machar fled into neighboring Congo.

Concerns are high that this latest fragile agreement will fall apart as well, with the United States among those openly wondering whether the two men whose rivalry has led to so much bloodshed can finally end the conflict.

South Sudan's five-year civil war has killed almost 400,000 people with violence and disease, according to a recent estimate. Millions have been displaced, and parts of the country have been plunged into famine.

So far the new peace deal has been criticized for its slow implementation, with missed deadlines and continued cease-fire violations.

Machar wrote to Kiir last week saying he would attend Wednes-

day's celebrations only if certain conditions were met, including the release of all political prisoners, the lifting of the state of emergency, free movement inside the country for all opposition groups and a guarantee for his safety.

While there has been no indication by South Sudan's government that the concerns have been met, Kiir in an interview with Kenya's Citizen TV last week said Machar's safety would be secured by the government.



ANDREA MEROLA, ANSA/AP

A woman walks in a flooded street of Venice, Italy, on Monday after heavy rains.

At least 10 killed as violent storms strike Italy

Associated Press

MILAN — At least 10 people have been killed over two days in Italy as heavy rains and high winds buffet much of the country.

The news agency ANSA said Tuesday that the deaths included a woman who was buried

by mud when a landslide struck her home and a firefighter who was struck by a tree while responding to the emergency, both in the northern region of Trentino-Alto Adige.

A man died while wind-surfing in Emilia-Romagna when he was slammed against rocks.

The other fatalities occurred in Naples, Liguria and Lazio.

High winds created an exceptional tide in Venice on Monday, covering three-quarters of the city for the first time in a decade. Water levels were forecast Tuesday at 43.3 inches, flooding 12 percent of the famed lagoon city.

Palestinians call for end to security ties with Israel

Associated Press

RAMALLAH, West Bank — The Palestine Liberation Organization's mini-parliament has called for ending security coordination with Israeli forces in the West Bank — a step that could risk reigniting violence.

The Palestinian Central Council said the final decision would be up to President Mahmoud Abbas.

At the end of a two-day gathering late Monday, the council also called for suspending recognition of Israel. Abbas, who controls the council, has not implemented such decisions in the past.

Security cooperation, largely aimed at Abbas' rival, the Islamic militant Hamas group, is unpopular among Palestinians but has survived repeated crises and years of deadlock in talks with Israel on setting up a Palestinian state. Abbas' self-rule government in parts of the West Bank would likely collapse if he cuts ties with Israel.

The central council cited what it says are ongoing Israeli violations of past agreements for its decision.

Its decision reflects the Palestinians' frustration with a lack of movement in peace efforts as well as anger with President Donald Trump, who they accuse of being unfairly biased toward Israel.

The European Union on Tuesday called on the Palestinians not to carry out the council's recommendations.

Accident damages Russia's aircraft carrier

Associated Press

MOSCOW — Russia's only aircraft carrier was damaged in a dock accident Tuesday that left one person missing and four injured, officials said.

A floating dock sank early morning in Murmansk, dropping a crane on the deck of the Admiral Kuznetsov carrier, the United Shipbuilding Corp. said.

The corporation's chief, Alexei Rakhmanov, said the 70-ton crane

left a hole of 215 square feet but didn't damage any of the ship's vital systems.

The accident happened as the ship was leaving the dock following repairs. Rakhmanov said it may have been caused by a sharp power surge that led to pumps' failure. Four workers were injured and one is still missing, Murmansk governor Marina Kovtun said on state-owned Rossiya 24 television channel Tuesday.

Rakhmanov said that accident

wouldn't lead to a significant extension of the carrier's refurbishment. Following the repairs, the carrier is to be fitted with modern control systems and new weapons.

Rakhmanov acknowledged the loss of the huge, 80,000-ton dock would disrupt the planned modernization of other Russian navy ships. The dock is the only structure of that capacity that Russia has, and it wasn't immediately clear whether it could be lifted.



AP

The Russian aircraft carrier Admiral Kuznetsov, shown in the Barents Sea in 2004, has been damaged in a dock accident.

AMERICAN ROUNDUP

Woman gives birth in middle of intersection

UT AMERICAN FORK — An Orem woman is crediting twin sisters for helping her deliver her new baby in her car as it was stopped in an intersection.

Emily Acor told KSL-TV that she and her new daughter, Sophia, were resting at home Monday after the eventful delivery.

Acor said she and her mother were heading to the hospital Friday evening in American Fork when her water broke. They stopped the car in the middle of an intersection, and Acor's mother flagged down two women for help.

Sisters Ashley Haws and Adrienne Braun helped deliver Sophia.

Bar pulling out of pub crawl after violence

DE WILMINGTON — A bar in Delaware's largest city will no longer participate in a Halloween pub crawl after police reported a night of fighting, gunshots and an arrest nearby.

The News Journal of Wilmington reported Kelley's Logan House announced Sunday it won't remain part of the Wilmington Halloween Loop. The business posted a Facebook message saying the event "brings to our establishment a clientele we do not welcome."

Officers arrived at Trolley Square — where most of the pubs are located — about 1 a.m. Sunday. The newspaper reported police arrested a man, 25, who was carrying a loaded gun.

Police: Man wearing PJs stole truck, eluded

MA DARTMOUTH — Massachusetts police said they are seeking a pajamas-wearing man who stole a truck and ran from police.

Dartmouth police Officer Manuel Demelo was on patrol about 5 a.m. Sunday when he saw a truck run a stop sign. Masslive.com reported Demelo attempted to stop the car, but the driver sped away.

Police said the truck crashed while the driver tried to make a turn. Demelo said he saw a white male wearing pajamas fleeing into the nearby woods.

Officers and a K-9 unit searched the area but could not find the suspect. Police said they later learned someone broke into a Dartmouth home and stole the keys to the truck.

Penthouse apartment sells for record price

NY NEW YORK — A sprawling New York City penthouse broke a record for the most expensive uptown condominium sale at more than \$9.4 million.

The penthouse, at West 110th Street and Frederick Douglass Boulevard, has five bedrooms, a full dining room and two terraces.

Real estate broker Corcoran told the Wall Street Journal it is the most expensive sale of a

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The approximate speed in miles per hour Maine police said a driver was traveling during a pursuit. Police said the driver sped up when an officer attempted to stop him near the Cross Lake/Sinclair town line on Saturday. Police later caught up with the car near Madawaska Lake, where the driver and a passenger fled. Officers, aided by aircraft and police dogs, surrounded the area. The driver, identified as Wayne Neely, 37, of Fort Fairfield, Maine, was charged with eluding, two counts of driving to endanger, speeding and other charges. Both he and a passenger were charged with illegal possession of methamphetamine and were jailed.



WILFREDO LEE/AP

Catching air on the Atlantic

A kiteboarder catches some air during a day on the Atlantic Ocean off Crandon Park in Key Biscayne, Fla., on Sunday.

property above 96th Street on Manhattan's West Side and above 102nd street on the East Side.

Giant mural being created on grain bins

KS WICHITA — Drivers going south on Interstate 135 near Wichita are watching the creation of what is being billed as the largest mural by a single artist in North America.

Armando Minjarez said the mural on grain bins in north Wichita is designed to unite people who are physically, emotionally or mentally divided by the interstate. The mural will show members of Hispanic and black neighborhoods reaching out to each other.

All of the figures in the mural are based on photographs of people who live or have lived in the surrounding neighborhoods in the past.

The artwork was designed and is being completed by GLeo, a street artist from Cali, Colombia.

Police: Man hid baby in car atop stolen gun

GA SNELLVILLE — Police in Georgia said a man driving with his infant daughter on his lap hid the child from officers, who found the 3-month-old lying on a stolen gun.

News outlets reported that Dettavis Madison, 24, was arrested on charges including theft. Snellville police said officers conducted a traffic stop, and Madison hid the girl before saying he was alone. Police said officers then searched the car and found the baby on the driver's floorboard lying atop a stolen gun.

Police said officers also found marijuana and hundreds of ecstasy pills shaped as Lego characters.

Hundreds of 'witches' paddle down river

OR PORTLAND — Hundreds of "witches" traded in broomsticks for paddles

in Oregon during the last weekend before Halloween.

The costumed coven paddled 6 miles on boards Saturday along the Willamette River, which divides the city of Portland.

The Oregonian/OregonLive reported that the paddleboard event started two years ago with a handful of participants but now attracts hundreds. Participants donated packages of socks, underwear and T-shirts to a local nonprofit group before they started paddling.

Police: Woman sprayed ant killer on dogs

FL VERO BEACH — Authorities allege a Florida woman sprayed her neighbor's two dogs with ant killer.

Treasure Coast Newspapers reported that Carol Watt was arrested and charged with misdemeanor cruelty to animals.

The neighbor told Indian River County deputies she had just let her German shepherd and Dober-

man pinscher out in her fenced-in backyard when she heard barking. An arrest report says the dogs' owner and neighbors told deputies they saw Watt spraying the dogs' faces with a yellow canister. Watt said she was spraying ant killer on her hanging plants and did not intentionally spray the dogs.

Watt is free on \$1,000 bail.

Corn starch prompts response at school

CT TORRINGTON — Police said a small bag of corn starch prompted an emergency response at a Connecticut high school.

Police and officers from the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection responded when a bag of white powder was found at Torrington High School. Students were told to hold in place while officials worked to identify the substance, which was later identified as corn starch.

From wire reports

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Janelle Monáe

AMY HARRIS,
INVISION/AP

'I felt like I could be all of me'

Monáe credits Lauryn Hill for helping her find her voice

BY MESFIN FEKADU ♦ Associated Press

Janelle Monáe still remembers the first album she spent her hard-earned money on: "The Miseducation of Lauryn Hill."

"I just connected with Lauryn on many levels. The fact that she was a young black woman in America — she looked like a lot of the women in my family. ... I just loved how she was able to bring her religious background, her singing and acting background together (and) her hip-hop background," Monáe recalled of Hill, whose solo debut celebrates its 20th anniversary this year and was the first hip-hop project to win the Grammy for album of the year.

"The fact that she was all of her(self) on her project felt inspiring to me, and I felt like I could be all of me and I didn't have to pick one part of me."

Monáe might be music's closest heir to Hill: She's an artistic performer known for thought-provoking lyrical content — in rapping and singing — and her riveting roles in "Moonlight" and "Hidden Figures" established that music isn't the only art form she shines in. While she has another movie, "Welcome to Marwen" with Steve Carell, coming out in December, she had to turn down some roles to focus on the latest album.

Monáe spoke to The Associated Press as she was surrounded by music, literally — standing in the middle of Good Records NYC, the small, basement vinyl shop in Manhattan's East Village.

"Dirty Computer," Monáe's latest album, unfortunately isn't available at the store: That's because it sold out. "I can't believe my vinyl sold out. Man, that's amazing. I wanted to see it," she said.

The album, her third full-length project, came five years

after she released "The Electric Lady" and is another critical effort in the multiple Grammy nominee's catalog. Monáe sings about liberation, oppression, love and more in what is clearly her most honest, sensual album to date.

"Dirty Computer" marks a departure from alter ego Cindi Mayweather, the archandroid that she used as a vehicle for her past work (though she makes an appearance in the short movie that was released with the album). The album title references those who are marginalized and "told they are bugs and viruses (and) things that make them unique have to be erased," she explained.

On the album, Monáe goes from declaring "I just want to party hard, sex in the swimming pool" on "Crazy Classic Life" to proclaiming, "If you try to grab my (expletive) cat, this (expletive) grab you back" on "I Got the Juice," a dig at President Donald Trump and his comments about women on a private "Access Hollywood" recording released during the 2016 presidential campaign.

"Americans" closes the 14-track album, where she sings about equal pay, police brutality against minorities, racism and same-sex love (Monáe came out as pansexual while promoting the album six months ago).

"I wrote this project during the Obama era and in November 2016. I was 70 percent done with it. Things changed for our country, and honestly it informed a lot of what you hear," she said.

Monáe, 32, said she's been overwhelmed by the response of the album.

"I've been hearing so many stories, (by) black women, black queer women in particular saying that they were thankful that I did this album. When it's written from an honest and vulnerable space, and it connects to people outside of you, that's always a beautiful thing," said Monáe.

MPAA pulls back the curtain on movie ratings — a little bit

BY DAVID NG
Los Angeles Times

In the eyes of many filmmakers, the Motion Picture Association of America should be rated R — for reticent. The MPAA has long kept its rating methods a tightly guarded secret as it continues to wield enormous power over the types of explicit content that can be shown in U.S. cinemas.

Now the MPAA is drawing back the curtain on its rating system, at least partially. In a new report published Monday, the Washington-based trade organization representing Hollywood's major studios is releasing data on all films rated since the system was created in 1968. The MPAA's Classification and Rating Administration has rated 29,791 movies, the majority of which have received an R rating, which requires children under 17 to be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

R-rated movies account for nearly 58 percent of all titles rated by the MPAA, followed by PG at 18 percent. The dreaded NC-17 accounted for less than 2 percent of titles, though they have garnered the vast share of negative publicity whenever a director has sought an appeal. NC-17 prohibits children younger than 17 from entry into a movie theater.

The identities of MPAA's ratings board members remain shrouded in secrecy.

The MPAA said the rating board is composed of eight to 13 raters who are parents. With the exception of senior raters, members must have children ages 5 to 15 when they join, and must leave when their children reach 21. They can serve as long as seven years.

Currently, there are nine full-time and part-time raters, according to the report.

During their time as raters, they reside in the Los Angeles area and watch movies together during the rating process. After screening a movie, the first votes are cast without discussion. A senior rater then announces the results and a discussion ensues during which the members eventually agree on a rating.

An appeal requires a two-thirds majority vote from the appeal board to pass.

The new report doesn't shed any additional light on their methodology, an issue that has long vexed filmmakers who have called for more transparency in the rating process.

The report provides some clues as to how the Classification and Rating Administration assigns ratings when it comes to profanity, violence and sexual content.

The division commissioned a study polling outside parents, not raters, as to how they would rate a movie based on content. The study showed that most parents would assign an R to a movie when it contains three or more uses of the F-word. In terms of sex, a movie will tend to get an R when it features more than one scene of nudity or sex.

The study showed that parents are more concerned with sexual content than with violence or language.

The MPAA said that context remains a crucial factor in evaluating a scene of sex or violence. "Context, what happens on the screen, and how a theme or scene is depicted, are key," the organization said. "The most important thing is how persistent and graphic the nudity is and how parents may perceive it."



JOHN MONE/AP

Actor Matthew McConaughey poses with first responders Oct. 28 in Houston after providing catered lunches. McConaughey said he wanted to celebrate National First Responder's Day by thanking those who risked their lives during Hurricane Harvey.

McConaughey visits first responders in Texas

Firefighters, police officers and 911 operators in Houston got a surprise from a famous local as Oscar winner Matthew McConaughey delivered a catered lunch to give thanks on National First Responder's Day.

The actor wheeled in a roasted turkey Sunday to the shock of those at a fire department. Later, he did the same for police officers and 911 operators at other facilities.

In an interview with The Associated Press, the Austin native said he wanted to do something in his home state, particularly for Houston. The city dealt with the devastating effects of Hurricane Harvey last year.

Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner was also on hand. He praised McConaughey for "never forgetting his roots."

McConaughey made the trip as part of a promotion for Wild Turkey. He is a

creative director and spokesman for the company.

Other news

■ It's a baby girl for **Hillary Duff**. The 31-year-old actress and singer and her boyfriend, Matthew Koma, announced Monday on Instagram that Banks Violet Bair was born on Oct. 25. Duff has a son from her previous marriage to former hockey player Mike Comrie.

■ **Candi Staton**, 78, says she's been diagnosed with breast cancer. The Grammy-nominated soul and gospel singer said she received the news over the summer. She writes in a statement, "I decided to keep it to myself and do some soul searching. I went through all of the emotions: denial, poor me and anger." Staton began 12 weeks of chemotherapy on Tuesday.

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OPINION

In Pittsburgh, 'Hate has no home here'

By DAVID IGNATIUS
Washington Post Writers Group

From a distance, the Tree of Life Synagogue now looks like another American crime scene. Police take blocks off the Wilkins Avenue entrance of the temple, and patrol cars guard the perimeter with flashing lights. But just at the yellow tape barrier, the closest stop to the horror of what happened here Saturday, people have left hundreds of bouquets of flowers, cards and posters with a repeated message: We come in grief and solidarity, or we speak of a community for which we resist the hatred that killed these victims.

I happened to be in Pittsburgh on other business, so I had a chance to pay my respects at this defiled holy place in Squirrel Hill on a rainy Sunday night. I used to live a few miles from here, when I started my career as a journalist, and Pittsburgh is one of those places that never entirely leaves you, even when you go away.

Here are the words I read on a hand-lettered poster, drawn on white cardboard moist with raindrops: "My tears flow for the Tree of Life Congregation. My heart aches for the city I love. I mourn for my city whose haven of love and possibility is being extinguished by the hate of a few."

Nestled among the flowers are different versions of this same message: "Hate has no home here." "This heinous act does not represent us." A pumpkin has been dented with the words "I'm proud around the orange skin. A flag of Israel has been draped with a rosary and the words: "We

Christians love the Jews."

This city and its neighborhoods display a solidarity that comes from another time. Squirrel Hill has been described as an American shibboleth, but there is a similar sense of pride, at once inward-looking but outwardly confident, in the African-American Hill District, or the partly Italian American neighborhood of Mount Washington, where I lived, or the neighborhoods where Catholic parishes were understood to be Polish, or German, or Croatian, or Irish — but always part of the Pittsburgh family.

David Shribman, the brilliant editor of the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, whose writings helped make this America's city the past few days, told me once that when he took the job running the paper, rather than haggling over salary he asked for tickets to the Pirates, Steelers and the symphony. It's that kind of town. As of Monday morning, the sympathy notes sent to the Post-Gazette by readers and published online stretched to 57 screens.

One of the ways to understand the sense of community that animated the Tree of Life is to read the synagogue's website, which hadn't been updated Sunday night. It was like a time capsule from the world just before Robert Bowers, the accused murderer who proclaimed that he wanted "to kill Jews," opened fire with his AR-15. The temple described itself online this way:

"Where a 3,000-year-old tradition meets a 5-year-old curiosity."
A "Family Program" had been scheduled for Sunday in nearby Frick Park. Members of the congregation were asked to contrib-

ute \$18 each to sponsor participants in a 3.6-mile run-walk. The money would be shared between the Humane Animal Rescue Shelter and Clinic and Jewish Family and Community Services.

On the Tree of Life website, a message from Rabbi Jeffrey Myers had been posted on July 19, and it was still there Sunday night. The title was "We deserve better."

Here's what Myers wrote four months ago, when Bowers' anti-Semitism was building toward a gruesome climax. It reads almost like a premonition about our national inability to stop the next horror before it happens.

"Current news recycles at a dizzying pace, with the important topic of yesterday buried beneath the freshest catch of the day," wrote Myers. "The television talking heads pick over each and every juicy bit like vultures over carrion."

And yet, the rabbi noted, after Parkland and so many other mass shootings, America's political leaders seem unable to stop the violence: "Despite continuous calls for sensible gun control and mental health care, our elected leaders in Washington knew that it would fade away. ... Unless there is a dramatic turnaround in the midterm elections, I fear that the status quo will remain unchanged."

Myers wrote that back in July. At a memorial here Sunday night, Myers, who had lost 11 worshippers a day before, put it simply: "My words are not intended as political fodder. I address all equally. Stop the words of hate."

It sounds impossible, but let's say it: Never again.

Don't blame politicians for acts they don't encourage

By HUGH HEWITT
Special to The Washington Post

After the arrest of a Florida man for sending homemade bombs to former President Barack Obama, former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton and other Democratic leaders, many on the left — and not a few allegedly neutral reporters and pundits — predictably attempted to assign blame for his deranged and dangerous acts to President Donald Trump. They pointed to "look her up" chants at Trump's noisy rallies, the "fake news" charges and to a long list of Trump lines that left-wing activists and some mainstream media voices have categorized as beneath the dignity of the president.

The truth is the spectrum of violent behavior stems from the far-left extreme, not the Bernie Sanders-supporting shooter at an Alexandria, Va., baseball field to last week's mailing of pipe bombs to prominent Democrats to Saturday's stomach-thrumping massacre at a Pittsburgh synagogue by a Trump-hating neo-Nazi, which made an already awful week even worse. That is the whole range of the far left, from the fringes of American politics, a left-right full spectrum of angry, hate-filled obsessives. The threatening envelopes sent to both Sen. Susan Collins, R-Maine, and Vanessa Trump, like those received by members of the media and no doubt by elected officials on the left, means crazy figures on the fringe of the far left, who are not a permanent part of the political terrain.

We are now arguing over what is properly considered "incitement" to violent action of all segments of that fringe. Consider the moron who accosted Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., and Labor Secretary Elaine Chao in a Louisville restaurant, or the moron that chased Sen. Ted Cruz, R-Texas, and his wife or Homeland

If we go down the road of assigning blame for violence to political figures, that trail travels in both directions.

Security Secretary Kirsten Nielsen or Stephen Miller from their caters. Who is responsible for inciting that behavior? For the physical attacks on two GOP candidates in Minnesota? For the Portland Antifa gang harassing motorists and a woman in a wheelchair? The reasonable apprehension of physical violence is assault, not free speech. Who is responsible for the assaults and the far worse violence of the bombs aimed at the shoot-out?

Is it Rep. Maxine Waters, D-Calif., who explicitly called for confronting Trump officials in public places? Former Attorney General Eric Holder, who urged that when Republicans "go low, we kick them"? Hillary Clinton, who questioned the very idea of civility toward the GOP? Sanders and his "fight back" campaign and the rhetoric of class warfare that is a fixture of his rallies?

The answer is none of them. "Incitement" is a concept dangerous to free speech, and the Supreme Court has limited it as a result to only those individuals who urge immediate violence and who possess the intention and ability to trigger that violence. Responsibility for criminal acts lies with criminals, not convenient political targets.

An early effort to link political violence to a political figure unrelated to it was President Bill Clinton's assigning blame for the Oklahoma City bombing to Rush Limbaugh and talk radio. "We hear so many loud and angry voices in America today whose sole goal seems to be to try to

keep some people as paranoid as possible and the rest of us all turn up and upset with each other," Clinton claimed. "They spread hate. They leave the impression that, by their very words, that violence is acceptable." This speech set off endless rounds of seeking-to-assign-blame for violence and threats of violence to disfavored political speech. It was a low stunt by Clinton, a smear of people with whom he disagreed, but the tactic has lived on.

The truth of course is that of the nearly 63 million Americans who voted for Donald Trump, just like the millions of voters for Hillary Clinton, Sanders, Obama and George W. Bush, there is an almost infinitesimally small cross-over between the loud and very demonstrative and the violent on both the left and the right. There is a vast chasm between the menacing and the enthusiastic. Chants are not chases; hurled insults are not hurled rocks. Obscuring the difference is a half-hearted attempt at silencing opposition.

Opprobrium for those who menace is appropriate. Prison for those who injure or worse is needed. Prosecution of everyone who threatens domestic political activity's ordinary course is right and just.

But if we go down the road of assigning blame for violence to political figures, that trail travels in both directions and political figures left, right and center will never be certain which words they use will set off which single one of their millions of followers to violence. One standard: Don't blame political figures for violence they don't specifically encourage and intend, and don't encourage and intend with criminal behavior because you don't like the speaker or the message. Prosecute criminals, not speech.

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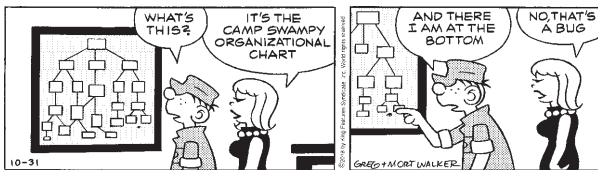
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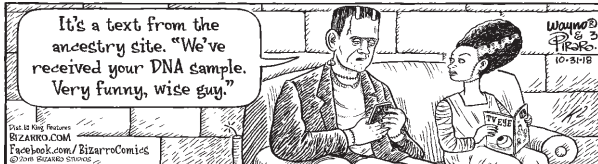
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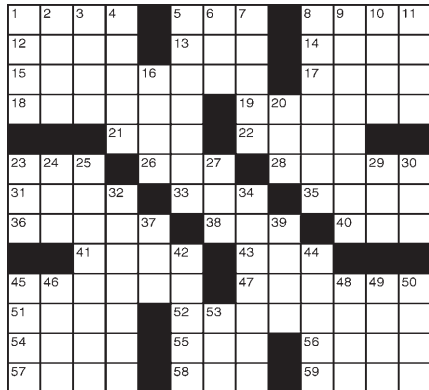
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- 5 Pod dweller
- 8 Last write-up
- 12 Director
- 13 Campaigned
- 14 Mediocre
- 15 Web surfer's shortcut
- 17 Low digits
- 18 Sargasso wriggler
- 19 Big T-shirt sizes
- 21 Muumuu
- 22 Director Kazan
- 23 Short 'do
- 26 Potent stick
- 28 Brilliance
- 31 Denny's rival
- 33 Computer key
- 35 Abode
- 36 Crude dudes
- 38 Spa sounds
- 40 Choose
- 41 Monastery man
- 43 "Give — rest!"
- 45 Baby's toy
- 47 OPEC, for one
- 51 Medicinal plant
- 52 TV, slangily
- 54 Tools with teeth
- 55 Vacuum's lack
- 56 Tehran's country
- 57 Clue

- 58 Journalist Nellie
- 59 "May It Be" singer

- 24 Discoverer's call
- 25 Place of prosperity
- 27 Airport screening org.
- 29 Music booster
- 30 Asian holiday
- 32 Sit-in, for one
- 34 Coffee substitute
- 37 NBC weekend show
- 39 Wild guess
- 42 Skewered entree
- 44 Clarinetist Shaw
- 45 Impetuous
- 46 Jal —
- 48 Rotate
- 49 Auction
- 50 Sultry Horne
- 53 Texas tea

DOWN

- 1 Filches
- 2 Oklahoma tribe
- 3 Ancient portico
- 4 Hayseed
- 5 New Orleans confection
- 6 Corn spike
- 7 Bracelet site
- 8 African bird
- 9 1960s dance
- 10 "Got it"
- 11 Pitch
- 16 Bump into
- 20 Pub order
- 23 Clothing protector

Answer to Previous Puzzle



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Deals

Monday's transactions

BASEBALL

CHICAGO WHITE SOX

— Exercised their 2019 option on RHP Nate Jones. Declined their 2019 option on RHP Nate Jones.

— Reinstated RHP Michael Kopech from the 60-day IL.

OKLAHOMA ATHLETICS

— Agreed to terms with executive vice president of baseball operations Billy Bean, general manager David Fort and manager Bob Mevin on contract.

ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS

— Exercised their 2019 option on 1B Paul Goldschmidt.

NEW YORK GIANTS

— Named Jeff Albert hitting coach and Stubby Clapp first base coach. Agreed to terms with 4th round pick Michael Weiner on a one-year contract.

SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS

— Exercised their 2019 options on LHP Madison Bumgarner and INF Pablo Sandoval.

— Signed RHP Buster Posey, INF Pablo Sandoval, RHPs Jeff Samardzija, Johnny Cueto and Julian Fernandez from the 60-day IL.

WASHINGTON NATIONALS

— Exercised their club option for 2019 on LHP Sean Doolittle.

BASKETBALL

NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

— Golden State Warriors — Promoted John Beaver to senior vice president of ticket and event sales and marketing.

— Promoted Raymond R. Brown to senior vice president of communications and public relations.

FOOTBALL

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

— CLEVELAND BROWNS — Fired coach Hue Jackson and offensive coordinator Mike McCoy.

— Signed Greg Williams interim head coach and running back coach/associate head coach.

— Signed Greg Williams interim offensive coordinator.

— CLEVELAND BROWNS — Fired offensive line coach Paul Alexander. Promoted as offensive line coach.

— Signed offensive line coach. Named Hudson Houck offensive line and offensive staff.

INDIANAPOLIS COLTS

— Signed T tight end Matt LaCosmo.

MIAMI DOLPHINS

— Waived S Maurice Alexander and LB James Houston.

TENNESSEE TITANS

— Waived LB Robert Spillane. Agreed to terms with FB Jason Foster.

WASHINGTON REDSKINS

— Signed LB Landon Johnson from the 60-day IL.

— Signed DE Jason Thompson to the practice squad. Placed S Troy Ake on injured reserve.

GOLF

PGA

— Named Roberto Bowman chief brand and communications officer.

USA HOCKEY

— Named Bob Corkum coach and assistant coach of the 2018 Winter Cup U.S. Women's Team.

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

— NHL — Suspended Ottawa D Mark Borowiec for three games without pay for an illegal check to the head of Vegas G Evgeny Kuznetsov.

— Signed D Mark Borowiec to the Vegas G.

DETROIT RED WINGS

— Reassigned F David Sauter from the DCHL to the Grand Rapids (AHL).

NEW JERSEY DEVILS

— Assigned G Ed Iginla to the AHL.

— Reassigned G Cory Schneider to the AHL.

ST. LOUIS BLUES

— Recalled FS Robert Farabee and Nikita Soshnikov. D Carl Burdick.

— Recalled D Carl Burdick from the AHL.

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SETHON HALL

— Announced the resignation of defensive coordinator Sethon Hall.

SOUTHERN CAL

— Fired offensive line coach. Agreed to terms with offensive coordinator Te Martin without pay.

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College football

STATS FCS poll

The top 25 teams in the STATS Football Championship Subdivision poll, with conference votes in parentheses and previous rank through Oct. 28, points and previous rank.

Record	Pts	Pvs
1. North Dakota State (160)	90	4000
2. Tennessee State (10)	1	1
3. James Madison	62	3665
4. Weber State	5	3665
5. Eastern Washington	62	3209
6. UC Davis	71	3158
7. Eastern Washington	62	3158
8. Elon	52	2789
9. Middle Tennessee	62	2789
10. Jacksonville State	62	2337
11. McNeese	62	2309
12. Colgate	70	2046
13. Delaware	62	1790
14. Illinois State	53	1781
15. Towson	62	1774
16. Stony Brook	63	1472
17. N.C. A&T	62	1414
18. Princeton	60	1345
19. Central Arkansas	53	1261
20. Nicholls	53	1003
21. Sam Houston State	62	661
22. ETSU	72	567
23. Eastern Washington	62	548
24. Dartmouth	70	435
25. South Mississippi State	62	216

FCS Coaches poll

Oct. 29

Record	Pts	Pvs
1. North Dakota State (20)	91	23
2. Tennessee State	71	623
3. James Madison	62	3665
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Other receiving votes

Maine 28, Idaho 28, Montana 28, Iowa 8, Florida A&M 6, Rhode Island 1, San Diego 1.

AFCA Division II Coaches poll

Oct. 29

Record	Pts	Pvs
1. Minnesota State (30)	90	818
2. North Dakota State (30)	90	818
3. Western Georgia	90	754
4. Ouachita Baptist (Ark.)	90	692
5. North Dakota State (30)	90	692
6. Colorado College of Mines	90	657
7. Valdosta State (Ga.)	90	657
8. Tarleton State (Texas)	90	608
9. North Dakota State (30)	90	608
10. Northwest Missouri State	90	525
11. West Chester (Pa.)	90	489
12. North Dakota State (30)	90	489
13. Notre Dame (Ohio)	90	432
14. North Dakota State (30)	90	432
15. Tiffin (Ohio)	90	338
16. North Dakota State (30)	90	338
17. Lippincott (N.Y.)	90	268
18. North Dakota State (30)	90	268
19. North Dakota State (30)	90	268
20. North Dakota State (30)	90	268
21. North Dakota State (30)	90	268
22. North Dakota State (30)	90	268
23. North Dakota State (30)	90	268
24. North Dakota State (30)	90	268
25. North Dakota State (30)	90	268

Other receiving votes

Pa. 88, Pittsburg State (Kan.) 36, Fort Hays (Kan.) 36, New Washington (Pa.) 36, Ashland (Ohio) 13, Bowie State (Md.) 13, Fairleigh Dickinson (N.J.) 13, W.Va. 4, Missouri S&T 4, West Florida 4, Central Oklahoma 3, Virginia Union 3, Chadron State (Neb.) 1, Ohio Dominican 1.

Boxing

Fight schedule

Nov. 3

At the SSE Hibernian, Glasgow, Scotland.

Josh Taylor vs. Ryan Martin, 12, for Taylor.

World Boxing Super lightweight (interim) title.

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AFCA Division III Coaches poll

Oct. 29

Record	Pts	Pvs
1. Mount Union (Ohio)	41	218
2. Midland-Baylor (Texas) (11)	80	1259
3. Brockport (N.Y.)	80	1154
4. Wisconsin-Whitewater	71	1154
5. St. John's (Minn.)	80	1109
6. Wisconsin-Whitewater	71	1109
7. St. Thomas (Minn.)	80	948
8. Wisconsin-Whitewater	71	948
9. Berry (Ga.)	80	852
10. John Carroll (Ohio)	71	840
11. Wisconsin-Whitewater	71	840
12. Central Illinois	71	713
13. Wisconsin-Whitewater	71	713
14. NPI (N.Y.)	70	543
15. Eastern Wesleyan	62	543
16. Whitworth (Wash.)	70	516
17. Washington & Jefferson (Pa.)	71	400
18. Johns Hopkins (Md.)	71	385
19. Case Western Reserve (Ohio)	71	377
20. Wittenberg (Ohio)	71	377
21. Salisbury (Md.)	80	328
22. Washington (Ind.)	80	328
23. Linfield (Ore.)	51	251
24. Baldwin Wallace (Ohio)	71	103
25. Bethel (Minn.)	71	89

Other receiving votes

Wisconsin-Oshkosh 82, Muhlenberg (Pa.) 69, Wheaton (Ill.) 42, Monmouth (Ill.) 37, Western Connecticut 31, Wisconsin-La Crosse 28, Amherst (Mass.) 21, Wartburg (Iowa) 20, Randolph-Macon (Va.) 19, Westminster (Md.) 16, Wesleyan (Conn.) 14, Washington (Mo.) 10, Denison (Ohio) 8, St. Joseph (Mo.) 7, St. Lawrence (N.Y.) 4, Eureka (Ill.) 3, Framingham (Mass.) 2, St. Lawrence (N.Y.) 2, Luther, 2, Dubuque (Iowa) 1, Mount St. Mary's (N.J.) 1.

NAIA poll

Oct. 29

Record	Pts	Pvs
1. Morrisling (Ohio) (15)	90	366
2. Marian (Ind.) (1)	90	366
3. Bethel (Minn.) (4)	90	366
4. Reinhardt (Ga.)	71	327
5. Wisconsin-Whitewater	71	327
6. Northwestern (Iowa)	71	291
7. Wisconsin-Whitewater	71	291
8. Benedictine (Kan.)	81	262
9. Saint Francis (Ind.)	72	247
10. Evansville (Ind.)	71	240
11. Langston (Okla.)	71	220
12. Rocky Mountain (Mont.)	72	216
13. Cumberland (Ky.)	91	199
14. Cedar Crest (Pa.)	91	199
15. Concordia (Mich.)	92	174
16. Dickinson State (N.D.)	72	144
17. St. Joseph (Mo.)	71	144
18. Saint Xavier (Ill.)	73	123
19. St. Lawrence (N.Y.)	73	123
20. Montana Western	62	103
21. Avila (Mo.)	72	89
22. St. Lawrence (N.Y.)	73	89
23. Siena Heights (Mich.)	62	51
24. St. Lawrence (N.Y.)	73	51
25. Ottawa (Kan.)	72	39

Other receiving votes

(Fla.) 18, Montana Tech 5, Dorit (Iowa) 4, College of Idaho 3.

Schedule

Wednesday, Oct. 31

Ball St. (3) at Toledo (4) at 4 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 1

Temple (5) at UCF (7) at 7 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 2

N. Illinois (5) at Akron (4) at 3 p.m.

Ohio (5) at Miami (6) at 3 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 2

Penn (5) at Cornell (3) at 4 p.m.

SOUTH

Pittsburgh (4) at Virginia (6) at 2 p.m.

W. Kentucky (1) at Middle Tennessee (3) at 5 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 2

Far West

Colorado (5) at San Diego (3) at 4 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 3

Air Force (3) at Arizona (2) at 4 p.m.

Columbia (4) at Harvard (3) at 4 p.m.

Cal Poly (5) at San Diego (3) at 4 p.m.

Bryant (5) at St. Francis (Pa.) (3) at 4 p.m.

Valparaiso (1) at Marist (4) at 4 p.m.

St. Lawrence (N.Y.) at Wagner (3) at 4 p.m.

Holy Cross (2) at Lafayette (3) at 4 p.m.

St. Lawrence (N.Y.) at Wagner (3) at 4 p.m.

Colgate (7) at Fordham (1) at 4 p.m.

St. Lawrence (N.Y.) at Wagner (3) at 4 p.m.

Monmouth (N.J.) at Marist (4) at 4 p.m.

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MLs playoffs

Knockout Round

Wednesday, Oct. 31

Philadelphia at New York City FC

Portland at FC Dallas

Western Conference

Thursday, Nov. 1

Columbus at Los Angeles FC

Real Salt Lake at Los Angeles FC

Home-and-home

First leg

Eastern Conference

Sunday, Nov. 4: Portland at TBO

Sunday, Nov. 4: Atlanta at TBO

Sunday, Nov. 4: Sporting Kansas City at TBO

Sunday, Nov. 4: Seattle at TBO

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Sunday, Nov. 11: TBO at New York City FC

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NHL

Roundup

Calgary holds off Toronto

Associated Press

TORONTO — Booned out of their own building after a lopsided loss last week, the Calgary Flames recommitted to their defensive structure and the move paid off against Toronto.

Sean Monahan and Elias Lindholm scored in a 55-second span of the third period to lead the Flames to a 3-1 victory over the Maple Leafs on Monday night, snapping a three-game losing streak.

“We put together 60 good minutes,” said Lindholm, who leads his team with eight goals after coming over in a blockbuster trade with the Carolina Hurricanes at the NHL Draft. “We were above them all night, first to pucks, won battles.”

Lindholm and Monahan each added an assist. Michael Frolik added an empty-net goal to seal it. Mike Smith made 24 saves.

Nazem Kamrath, playing his 500th NHL game, scored for Toronto. Frederik Andersen stopped 31 shots.

The Leafs lacked jump in their first game without Auston Matthews. It was announced earlier Monday that the center would miss at least four weeks with a left shoulder injury.

“Our last two games have been the way we want to play,” Calgary captain Mark Giordano said. “When you play well defensively the goals come.”

Monahan snapped a scoreless tie 4:39 into the third on a power play, netting his fifth goal of the season on a rebound of a shot by Lindholm.

Lindholm then gave the Flames, who were 0-2-1 over their last three, a 2-0 edge with his team-leading eighth goal at 6:34 after the Leafs turned the puck over in their own zone.

Toronto defenseman Igor Ozhiginov hit the post at the other end on the next shift.

The Leafs got to within one at 16:07, when Kadri scored his third of the season and third in as many games.

Canucks 5, Wild 2: Rookie Elias Pettersson scored two goals and host Vancouver snapped a two-game losing streak by beating Minnesota.

Pettersson, whose second goal came on a breakaway in the third period, now has seven goals in seven games. He leads all NHL rookies in goals and points with 14.

Markus Granlund and Jake Virtanen also scored for the Canucks, who ended the Wild's five-game winning streak. Ben Hutton scored into an empty net with 39.1 seconds remaining.

Jordan Greenway scored his first NHL goal, and Ryan Suter added a power-play score for the Wild.

Scoreboard

Eastern Conference

Atlantic Division							
	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Toronto	12	8	4	0	16	42	37
Tampa Bay	10	7	2	1	15	33	27
Montreal	10	6	2	2	13	33	25
Boston	11	6	3	2	14	34	27
Buffalo	11	6	4	1	13	30	33
Ottawa	10	4	4	2	10	35	39
Florida	9	2	4	3	7	28	35
Detroit	11	7	2	2	16	45	43
Metropolitan Division							
Pittsburgh	9	6	2	1	14	40	26
Carolina	11	6	4	1	13	34	31
Columbus	10	6	4	0	12	36	38
Washington	10	5	3	2	12	39	37
New Jersey	8	5	2	1	11	28	20
N.Y. Islanders	10	5	4	1	11	30	25
Philadelphia	11	4	7	0	8	32	46
N.Y. Rangers	11	3	7	1	7	28	38

Western Conference

	Central Division						
	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Nashville	11	8	3	0	16	38	28
Colorado	12	7	3	2	16	41	27
Winnipeg	12	7	4	1	15	35	32
Chicago	12	6	3	3	15	41	43
Minnesota	11	6	3	2	14	31	32
Dallas	10	5	5	0	10	30	29
St. Louis	10	4	4	3	9	36	39
	Pacific Division						
San Jose	11	6	3	2	14	38	32
Vancouver	13	7	6	0	14	36	42
Edmonton	10	6	3	1	13	29	30
Calgary	12	6	5	1	13	39	41
Anaheim	12	5	5	2	12	30	34
Vegas	11	5	5	1	11	26	30
Arizona	10	5	5	0	10	26	20
Los Angeles	11	5	7	1	7	22	39

Note: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss, two points for each division and two wild cards per conference advance to playoffs.

Sunday's games

Los Angeles 4, N.Y. Rangers 3
N.Y. Islanders 2, Carolina 1
Detroit 4, Dallas 2

Edmonton 2, Chicago 1, OT
Vegas 4, Ottawa 3, OT
San Jose 4, Anaheim 3, OT

Monday's games

Calgary 3, Toronto 1

Tuesday's games

N.Y. Islanders at Pittsburgh

Detroit at Columbus

Calgary at Buffalo

Boston at Carolina

Dallas at Montreal

New Jersey at Tampa Bay

Vegas at Nashville

Minnesota at Edmonton

Philadelphia at Anaheim

Ottawa at Arizona

N.Y. Rangers at San Jose

Wednesday's games

Chicago at Vancouver

Thursday's games

Winnipeg vs. Florida at Helsinki

Pittsburgh at N.Y. Islanders

Dallas at Toronto

New Jersey at Detroit

Washington at Montreal

Nashville at Tampa Bay

Buffalo at Ottawa

Vegas at St. Louis

Colorado at Calgary

Chicago at Edmonton

N.Y. Rangers at Anaheim

Philadelphia at Los Angeles

Canucks at San Jose

Monday

Flames 3, Maple Leafs 1

Calgary 3, Toronto 1

Third Period—1, Calgary, Monahan 5

(Giordano, E.Lindholm, 5:29 pp.), 2, Min-

nesota, E.Lindholm 8 (Gaudreau, Monahan),

6:34, 3, Toronto, Kadri 3 (Marner, Rielly),

7:07 pp.), 4, Calgary, Frolik 6, 10:54.

Shots on goal—Calgary 12-12-10-34.

Toronto 4-11-11-25.

Power-play opportunities—Calgary 1

of 3; Toronto 1 of 3.

Goalsies—Calgary, Smith 4-4-1 (25

shots; 24 saves). Toronto, Andersen 6-4-0

(23-31).

A—18,989 (18,819), T—2,333.

Canucks 5, Wild 2

Minnesota 1, 1 1 0-2

Vancouver 1, 1 2 2-5

First Period—1, Vancouver,

MacGranlund 2 (Horvat), 7:17, 2, Min-

nesota, Greenway 2 (C. Spurgeon),

7:52.

Second Period—3, Vancouver, Vir-

tanen 3 (Biega), 5:15 pp.), 4, Vancouver,

Pettersson 6 (Goldobin, Del Zotto), 6:51,

5, Minnesota, Virtanen 1 (Granlund,

Zucker), 14:37 pp.).

Third Period—1, Vancouver, Petters-

son 7 (Boeser), 6:29, 7, Vancouver, Hutton

2 (Rossell), 18:27.

Shots on goal—Minnesota 7-15-17-39.

Vancouver 14-11-16-31.

Power-play opportunities—Minnesota

1 of 5; Vancouver 1 of 4.

Goalsies—Minnesota, Smith 2-2 (30

shots; 26 saves). Vancouver, Markstrom

4-3-7 (31).

A—16,546 (18,910), T—2,40.

Scoring leaders

Through Monday

GP	G	A	Pts
Mikko Rantanen, COL	12	11	16
Patrick Kane, CHI	12	11	16
Nathan MacKinnon, COL	12	9	18
Evgeni Malkin, PIT	12	5	13
Connor McDavid, EDM	10	8	17
Gabriel Landeskog, COL	12	10	16



JOHN LOCHER/AP

Golden Knights head coach Gerard Gallant, center, looks on during the first period of the Golden Knights' 3-2 loss to the Tampa Bay Lightning on Oct. 26 in Las Vegas.

Knights off to ragged start in second season

By W.G. RAMIREZ

Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — A season after their surprising run to the Stanley Cup Final, the Vegas Golden Knights are finally starting to look like an expansion team.

The Knights were in sixth place in the Pacific Division on Monday after a slow start to a season that finally saw them make progress after a five-game home stand capped by Sunday night's 4-3 overtime win over the Ottawa Senators.

“Somebody just said in the dressing room we had a five-game home stand and we’re 3-1-1,” Vegas coach Gerard Gallant said. “And it doesn’t feel like that because (we started) off 1-4 when we got back home. So, we had a good home stand but it doesn’t feel like that.”

Perhaps it’s because last season the Golden Knights were 8-3 through their first 11 games and was just three points out of the division lead. They had outscored the opposition 41-31 as they got their inaugural season off to a rapid start. Vegas also allowed three or more goals just four times in that span. The season, of course, ended with them falling short of the Stanley Cup.

This season so far, Vegas has been outscored 30-26 and the Knights have allowed three or more goals seven times.

Noticeably missing from the second line are James Neal, who at this time last year led the team with seven goals and 10 points, and David Perron, who had contributed four goals, four assists. Neal is now in Calgary and Perron is in St. Louis and their presumed replacements — Max Pacioretty and Paul Stastny — are on the shelf.

Stastny has missed the last eight games and isn’t expected to return until December, while Pacioretty came off the ice Friday after being drilled by Tampa Bay’s Braydon Coburn. He didn’t play Sunday. Cody Eakin did, and left the game in the first period after being leveled by Mark Borowick.

The team is also still without lead defenseman Nate Schmidt, who is serving a 20-game suspension after testing positive for a banned substance, while defenseman Deryk Engelland recently returned



JOHN LOCHER/AP

Golden Knights defenseman Jon Merrill, left, fights with Ottawa Senators defenseman Mark Borowick during Sunday's game in Las Vegas.

from an injury.

“Everybody has injuries, you have to come out to play our game and do the best you can when you’re in the lineup. ... We’ve done that from last year, and I think most teams do that,” Gallant said. “You do the best you can with what you’ve got.”

After going 1-for-5 on Sunday, they’re now 4-for-37 (10.8 percent) on the power play, ranking 29th in the NHL. They have scored four in their last five games, however.

Vegas headed to Nashville on Tuesday and goes to St. Louis on Thursday, before returning home to host Carolina on Saturday.

“We want to win, we want to play better, and we want to make sure things are going,” Gallant said.

NBA

Roundup

Bucks wallop Raptors in battle of unbeaten

Associated Press

MILWAUKEE — No Giannis Antetokounmpo, no problem for the Milwaukee Bucks.

With the way they're shooting from the three-point line, the Bucks look like they can beat just about anybody in the NBA.

Ersan Ilyasova scored a season-high 19 points and the Bucks cruised without the injured Antetokounmpo to beat the Toronto Raptors 124-109 on Monday night in a showdown of the NBA's last undefeated teams.

Milwaukee improved to 7-0 in a marquee matchup that lost some luster with Antetokounmpo in concussion protocol and Raptors star Kawhi Leonard sitting out to rest.

The Bucks' start to the season matches the 1971-72 club for best in franchise history. Milwaukee made up for Antetokounmpo's absence with another strong showing from the perimeter, with Malcolm Brogdon and Eric Bledsoe chipping in 17 points each.

"Of course we have more confidence when (Antetokounmpo) is on the floor," Brogdon said. "But we have a lot of confidence even when he's not on the floor due to the system and due to the confidence that (coach Mike Budenholzer) gives us."

Serge Ibaka scored 30 points for Toronto, which had its franchise-best 6-0 start snapped. Pascal Siakam added 22.

They still couldn't keep up with the Bucks, who eclipsed the 110-point mark for the seventh straight game even without the high-flying Antetokounmpo, who averages 25.0 points and 14.2 rebounds.

Ilyasova, starting for Antetokounmpo, helped pick up the slack, setting the tone with an active night all over the floor and adding a team-high 10 rebounds.

Timberwolves 124, Lakers 120: Jimmy Butler hit five of his team's eight three-pointers in the fourth quarter to finish with 32 points and help host Minnesota hang on to beat LeBron James and Los Angeles.

Karl-Anthony Towns pitched in with 25 points,

a season-high 16 rebounds and four blocks for the Timberwolves.

Kings 123, Heat 113: Willie Cauley-Stein scored 26 points and grabbed 13 rebounds, Buddy Hield added 23 points and visiting Sacramento ran past Miami.

De'Aaron Fox scored 20 points and Nemanja Bjelica added 19 for the Kings, who outscored Miami 77-55 in the middle two quarters and won on the Heat's home floor for the second consecutive season.

Knicks 115, Nets 96: Tim Hardaway Jr. had 25 points and eight assists, and host New York rolled to its second win of the season by beating Brooklyn.

Frank Ntilikina added 16 points and Enes Kanter had 15 points and 15 rebounds off the bench for the Knicks, who had dropped five straight since beating Atlanta in their season opener.

Trail Blazers 103, Pacers 93: Zach Collins matched his career high with 17 points and C.J. McCollum also had 17 to lead visiting Portland past Indiana.

The Blazers have won three straight in the series and eight of the last nine against the Pacers.

76ers 113, Hawks 92: Ben Simmons had 21 points, 12 rebounds and nine assists and host Philadelphia flashed a little of last year's playoff form in a win over Atlanta.

The oft-maligned Markelle Fultz had season-highs with seven baskets (on 16 attempts) and 16 points in 23 minutes. Joel Embiid added 10 points.

Spurs 113, Mavericks 108 (OT): DeMar DeRozan had 34 points and nine assists and host San Antonio withstood a 31-point outburst by Dallas rookie Luka Doncic for the overtime victory.

LaMarcus Aldridge added 20 points as San Antonio won its second overtime game.

Nuggets 116, Pelicans 111: Gary Harris scored 23 points and came up with a big steal late to help host Denver hold off short-handed New Orleans after nearly squandering an 18-point lead.

Jamal Murray chipped in 23 points and Nikola Jokic had 12 points and 10 assists for his fifth double-double in six games.



MORRY GASIA/AP

The Bucks' Khris Middleton, right, tries to drive past the Toronto Raptors' DeLeon Wright during the second half of Monday's game in Milwaukee. The Bucks won 124-109 to remain unbeaten.



PHIL LONG/AP

Top assistant Larry Drew, who was expected to take over after the Cleveland Cavaliers fired Tyronn Lue, said Monday that he is not the team's interim coach but is merely "the voice right now."

Cavaliers' coaching situation uncertain

By TOM WITHERS

Associated Press

INDEPENDENCE, Ohio — After an emotional day and restless night, Larry Drew went back to work.

He organized practice, met with stunned players still reeling from Tyronn Lue's firing and put the Cleveland Cavaliers through drills as they prepared for Tuesday's game.

But after walking off the floor, Drew, the team's top assistant coach under Lue for the past two years, wanted to make something clear.

"I'm not the interim coach," he said emphatically. "I'm the voice right now."

So much for Cleveland's transition game. Drew added a surprising wrinkle to Lue's dismissal on Monday by saying he's not ready to commit to the Cavaliers in the long term until he gets a new contract.

Drew said his agent, Andy Miller, has been in talks with the team about restructuring his deal. Drew is under contract through this season.

"I'm sure you guys are aware that there are some talks that are going on," Drew told reporters. "I don't know if any type of agreement or settlement will be made. I am prepared either way. I'll continue to do my job, but right now there's not been any type of agreement."

Drew said he plans to coach the team Tuesday night against Atlanta, but after that, nothing is definitive.

He was asked if "acting" coach was a more fitting title.

"I guess that would be more accurate, more consistent," he said.

General manager Koby Altman fired Lue, who in 2016 became the only coach to win a pro sports championship in Cleveland since 1964, on Sunday because he felt the team was underachieving.

The Cavaliers are 0-6 in their first season since three-time champion LeBron James left them for the second time as a free agent.

They had hoped to remain competitive while developing young players like rookie guard Collin Sexton. But the plan wasn't working with Lue, forcing Altman to make a difficult decision.

"The challenge of this year was we had a mix of veterans and young guys and that's a complex situation that's difficult," Altman said. "It didn't come together the way we envisioned and we just didn't think coach Lue was the right fit for this group. We wanted to go in a different direction, a different coach and a different voice."

Enter Drew, who went 8-1 while filling in last season when Lue was dealing with health issues. Drew understands what the Cavs are up against and he's prepared to take it on.

"It's not a very complicated situation," he said. "It's obvious this team is going in a different direction with the group that we do have and with the decisions that have been made with the organization. I would like to be part of it long term, to be perfectly honest."

I've been through the rebuilding process as a player and as a coach and I feel I know what it takes. Certainly when you talk about rebuilding, it's not an easy thing to do. It's usually something that takes a little time.

"If it's going to take some time, I'd like to be part of that. I made this organization pretty aware of that, that this is something that's not going to happen overnight. In order to be a part of that, I feel that it's going to have to be something done with a little bit more security."

Drew went 143-169 in four seasons as an NBA coach. He was fired after going 15-67 with Milwaukee in 2013-14.

'I'm not the interim coach. I'm the voice right now.'

Larry Drew
Cavaliers assistant coach who led practice Monday after Tyronn Lue was fired Sunday

MLB/COLLEGE FOOTBALL

What rule changes await in offseason?

By RONALD BLUM
Associated Press

NEW YORK — The World Series was baseball 2018 in a microcosm.

Half the 44 runs scored by the champion Boston Red Sox and Los Angeles Dodgers came across the plate on home runs. That's the second-highest percentage in baseball history, according to the Elias Sports Bureau, behind only last year's 57.4 percent.

There were 109 strikeouts and 76 hits, a 1.43 ratio that was the second-highest behind 1.48 in 2012. That followed the first regular season in major league history with more strikeouts than hits and with the lowest overall batting average since 1972 — the year before the start of the designated hitter.

Discussion of possible rule changes to increase action will dominate the offseason, along with speculation about a free agent market that includes Bryce Harper, Manny Machado and Josh Donaldson, and possibly David Price and Clayton Kershaw if they opt out of their contracts.

"What we try to do is pay attention over the course of the season," baseball Commissioner Rob Manfred said last week, "think about what we've learned during the postseason and see whether we may need to make some change in response to what we're seeing."

Analytics have transformed the sport, from offense-suffocating shifts to shortening starting pitchers' time on the mound and constantly rotating relievers from the major leagues to the minors in order to have an array of fresh bullpen arms each game.

"I don't spend a lot of time worrying about whether analytics are a good thing or a bad thing, and the reason for that is they are a real thing," Manfred said. "We have them. They're going to continue to use them. There's nothing you can do to stop people from thinking about the game, however the heck it is they want to think about the game."

Discussion will start next week, when general managers meet in Carlsbad, Calif. Owners gather Nov. 14-15 in Atlanta, and the major offseason get-together will be the winter meetings at Las Vegas from Dec. 10-13.

Manfred and players' association head Tony Clark already have been talking — they appeared together at a World Series news conference last weekend, which would have been unimaginable a year ago given the tension between management and players.

Both sides are concerned about a 4 percent attendance drop that left the major league average below 30,000 for the first time since 2003. Six ballparks set their record lows and 17 of 30 experienced drops, partly because of historically bad weather that caused 54 postponements, the most since 1989.

Management wanted to intro-

duce a pitch clock at the major league level in an effort to speed the pace of games but players refused to agree, and Major League Baseball backed off a threat to impose one over the union's objections. Instead, a more modest change restricted the amount of mound visits by players and coaches without pitching changes.

The average time of a nine-inning game dropped to 3 hours, 44 seconds during the regular season from 3:05:11 for last season, and mound visits without pitching changes fell to 4.01 from 7.41.

That was swift compared with October. Nine-inning games averaged 3:30 in the World Series, up from 3:16 last year, and 3:35 throughout the postseason, an increase from 3:29.

And that was with a drop on mound conferences, which fell to an average of 6.6 in the postseason from 11.2 and to 6.4 in the World Series from 19.0.

Talk on rule changes will be conducted as the union watches free-agent negotiations unfold. Last offseason had an unusually slow market that led to player anger. Among the 166 players who exercised the right to become free agents after the World Series, exactly half of the 140 agreements reached were finalized after the start of spring training workouts on Feb. 14.

Late deals did make a difference: Boston agreed Feb. 19 to a \$110 million, five-year contract with J.D. Martinez, who led the major leagues with 130 RBIs and homered Sunday night as the Red Sox won Game 5 to finish their fourth World Series title in 15 seasons.

The first 145 free agents hit the market Monday, and about 30 more may follow this week depending on option decisions. Bidding figures to be more vigorous this offseason because of higher quality among the free agents. But analytics have directed many teams to be more reticent about lengthy deals with older players, which could lead to renewed tension.



Joe C. Hong/AP

Manny Machado is just one of several big names who are free agents this offseason.



MARK WALLHEISEN/AP

Clemson head coach Dabo Swinney talks to his team during Saturday's game against Florida State.

Clemson 'a lot better' heading down stretch

By PETE IACOBELLI
Associated Press

CLEMSON, S.C. — No. 2 Clemson, behind freshman quarterback Trevor Lawrence, is playing some of its best football heading into the final month of the regular season.

And the Tigers don't expect to slow down.

Clemson (8-0, 5-0 Atlantic Coast Conference) has steamrolled its past three opponents 163-20, including a 59-10 pummeling of Florida State this past Saturday.

The Tigers are more than five-touchdown favorites to rip through struggling Louisville (2-6, 0-5), which has lost its ACC games by an average margin of 20 points.

Center Gage Cervenka believes Clemson is ready to show even more.

"We're not satisfied with how we've played yet," he said Monday. "That's what's driving us."

That, and another splashy postseason. Clemson is the lone undefeated team left in the ACC and only Boston College, at 3-1 in the league, stands in the way of the Tigers claiming a fourth straight spot in the league's championship game.

Clemson heads to No. 24 Boston College on Nov. 10 in the game likely to settle the ACC Atlantic.

Then comes the initial College Football Playoff rankings on Tuesday night where the Tigers will be among the top four teams in seeking their fourth consecutive chance to play for a national title.

Clemson coach Dabo Swinney said he and his players are aware of the rankings. They just won't put much stock in them yet.

"It just doesn't matter as (you've) heard me say a million times unless they're going to cancel the rest of the season," Swinney said. "We just have so much work to do."

Even if things look effortless the past few weeks. Since the drama-filled, 27-23 come-from-behind win over Syracuse on Sept. 29, the Tigers have made quick work of the opposition.

They led Wake Forest 28-0 by halftime, were up over then 16th-ranked North Carolina State 31-0 early in the third quarter and led 45-0 at Florida



MARK WALLHEISEN/AP

Clemson's Christina Wilkins, center, celebrates his touchdown Saturday against Florida State.

State before the Seminoles scored late in the third quarter.

Clemson leads the ACC in points per game at 44.1 and in fewest points allowed at 13.0.

Lawrence's increased experience has certainly helped. The 6-foot-6 freshman supplanted starter Kelly Bryant after four games — Bryant became the fourth Clemson QB to transfer since Lawrence's arrival on campus in January — and has steadily grown into his role.

"We've definitely gotten a lot better since then, everybody meshing together," Lawrence said.

SPORTS BRIEFS/NFL

Briefly

Kendricks out 8 games for insider trading

Associated Press

NEW YORK — The NFL has suspended Seattle Seahawks linebacker Mychal Kendricks for eight games for his role in an insider trading scheme.

The suspension announced Tuesday for a player who won a Super Bowl with Philadelphia last season includes time served.

Kendricks pleaded guilty in September to one count of securities fraud and one count of conspiracy to commit securities fraud. He faces up to 25 years in prison when sentenced in December.

Kendricks was suspended indefinitely by Commissioner Roger Goodell on Oct. 2. He is eligible to rejoin Seattle for Week 12 at the end of November. But he can't play again until Week 14, when the Seahawks host the Vikings for a Monday night game Dec. 10.

Cleveland had signed the 28-year-old Kendricks in the offseason, then released him in August after he was charged. Seattle signed him in early September and he played in three games, with 12 total tackles and a sack in the last two games for Seattle before his suspension.

Cavs' Love could miss significant time

CLEVELAND — Cavaliers All-Star Kevin Love could miss significant time with a foot injury that has bothered him since the

preseason.

Love will sit out his third straight game on Tuesday as the winless Cavs host Atlanta and look to end a six-game winless streak to start the season. On Sunday, the team fired coach Tyrone Lue. The Cavs are still working through contract negotiations with assistant Larry Drew, who wants more security before he takes over.

Love has had more testing in recent days and doctors are reviewing results to plan his recovery.

General manager Koby Altman isn't sure how long the Cavs might be without their best player.

"We're still working through the diagnosis of what the best thing to do is," he said. "To be honest with you, we're unsure what we're going to do in terms of a timeline. Our doctors in-house have looked at this. We're actually going to consult with outside doctors as well to put together the best plan for him."

"It could be a number of games that he misses moving forward or it could be sort of a short-term thing to try and manage it. But to be honest we're going to figure that out in the next couple days. This could be a number of games he could miss."

The injury to Love only makes things tougher on the Cavs, navigating through their first season since LeBron James left for the second time.

The five-time All-Star signed a four-year, \$120 million contract extension this summer.

Biles leads US to gold at world championships

DOHA, Qatar — The juggernaut led by Simone Biles keeps right on rolling, kidney stone or no kidney stone.

The U.S. women's gymnastics team cruised to a gold medal at the world gymnastics championships on Tuesday, extending a run of dominance that only seems to be picking up momentum.

The Americans posted a team score of 171.629 in winning their fourth straight world title, well clear of silver medalist Russia and bronze medalist China. The 8.766 margin of victory is the largest at a major international competition since the U.S.'s streak began in 2011.

Biles is dealing with a kidney stone diagnosed last week and is attempting to fight through the pain. She touched the beam after losing her balance following a front flip and landed out of bounds following her first tumbling pass on floor but it hardly mattered.

Russia slipped past China for silver, to give the event the same top-three finish as at the 2016 Summer Olympics.

USC fires OL coach; Helton to call plays

LOS ANGELES — Southern California coach Clay Helton fired offensive line coach Neil Callaway and took over play-calling duties for the struggling Tro-

jans on Monday.

With the season slipping away from the defending Pac-12 champions, Helton announced a shake-up of his coaching staff two days after USC dropped to 4-4 with its second straight defeat, a 38-35 home loss to Arizona State.

Helton took away the play-calling responsibilities from offensive coordinator Te Martin, who remains on staff.

The Trojans' talent-laden offense is mired in 11th place in the Pac-12 with just 364 yards per game, and Helton has put the responsibility for its success directly on himself.

Diamondbacks pick up Goldschmidt's option

PHOENIX — The Arizona Diamondbacks have picked up the \$14.5 million option on Paul Goldschmidt's contract for the 2019 season.

The club option was attached to the five-year, \$32 million deal Goldschmidt signed in 2014, a deal considered one of the most team-friendly in baseball considering Goldschmidt's production through those years.

The 31-year-old slugger, considered the face of the franchise, is a 297 career hitter with 209 home runs and 710 RBIs. He also is one of the game's best defensive first basemen.

In other MLB news:

■ Madison Bumgarner's \$12 million contract option for the 2019 season has been exercised

by the San Francisco Giants, keeping the 2014 World Series MVP and ace left-hander with the club for at least one more season after his past two years were shortened by injuries.

The Giants on Monday also exercised third baseman Pablo Sandoval's option for the \$55.5 million minimum.

■ The Cleveland Indians have picked up their \$9.75 million contract option on starter Carlos Carrasco for next season. Carrasco has developed into one of the AL's best pitchers. The team has another option for 2020 on the right-hander, who has won 35 games over the past two seasons.

F1 driver Ericsson moving to IndyCar

INDIANAPOLIS — Sauber Formula One driver Marcus Ericsson will move to IndyCar in 2019 with Schmidt Peterson Motorsports. The team plans to keep a seat for injured driver Robert Wickens.

The team announced Tuesday that Ericsson will pilot the No. 7 Honda. The Swedish driver is expanding his racing career into North America and won't join Schmidt Peterson until after the F1 season finale in Abu Dhabi.

Ericsson will remain a reserve driver for Alfa Romeo Sauber F1 Team after his move to IndyCar.

Wickens is paralyzed from the chest down from injuries suffered in an August crash at Pocono Raceway.

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mistake by Thielen a whopping 14 points.

"It's more frustrating because I think we had it going execution-wise and scheme-wise and all that," Thielen said on Monday.

"I think when it's maybe a lack of concentration or just being too relaxed or what have you, that's the frustrating part. Because you know how many times that you've done it a different way and the right way, and the one time you slip up it costs you maybe the game."

The other half of Minnesota's dominant receiver duo, Stefan Diggs, was responsible for the other devastating turnover. Diggs stopped his drug route short before an under-pressure Kirk Cousins dumped the ball off to the spot where he expected Diggs to be had he kept running. The interception was returned for a score to give the Saints a 27-13 advantage.

Thielen and Diggs were outspoken after the game about their acceptance of blame, but Zimmer wasn't having it, and he said as

much to the team.

"Like I told them in the meeting today, the receivers need to stop saying that stuff because one person doesn't lose a game. One person doesn't win a game. We win around here as a team. We lose around here as a team," Zimmer said.

"Guys make mistakes, miscommunication, whatever you want to call it happens. I will never put any one of those things on one player, ever."

Though the loss clearly hurt the Vikings in the conference and division standings, there were reasons for them to feel better about where they're headed: the halfway mark. Thielen and Diggs don't have a pattern of such gaffes for one. They also played without six injured starters, and young subs such as right tackle Brian O'Neill, linebacker Eric Wilson and cornerback Holton Hill fared well in extended action.

"I'm encouraged after this ballgame. I'm encouraged after the last four weeks," Zimmer said. "If I was ticked off, I'd let them know. Trust me."



BRUCE KLUCKHOHN/AP

Minnesota Vikings tight end Kyle Rudolph catches a pass in front of Saints linebacker Manti Te'o, right, on Sunday. The Vikings face a challenging five-week stretch that includes traveling to Chicago, New England and Seattle, as well as hosting games against Green Bay and Detroit.

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Pack, Montgomery try to get past fumble

Associated Press

GREEN BAY, Wis. — Ty Montgomery left Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum Sunday after his crucial fumble during a kickoff return without talking to reporters. He had plenty to say on Monday.

The Green Bay Packers running back and kick returner talked more about his uncertain role and anonymous criticism from a teammate than about costing his team a chance to beat the Rams.

Montgomery acknowledged what Packers coach Mike McCarthy suggested after the 29-27 loss and again on Monday — that the return unit was told by coaches before the kick to take a touchback if the ball went into the end zone. That would have given quarterback Aaron Rodgers the ball with 2:05 left in the game with one timeout to work with in hopes of taking back the lead.

Instead, Montgomery caught the ball 2 yards deep and decided to bring it out, only to fumble the ball away to the Rams, who ran out the clock for the victory.

"I made a split-second decision. [I thought], 'I don't know if this is going to land on the goal line, so I'm not going to take a knee on the goal line, at the half-yard line and take a chance at putting the game in the refs' hands,'" Montgomery said Monday.

"Unfortunately, I ended up fumbling the football. I don't think we'd be having this conversation if I didn't fumble the football because we know how good our 2-minute offense is," he added. "But I've never been a guy to completely disobey what I'm



MARCIO JOSE SANCHEZ/AP

Green Bay kick returner Ty Montgomery fumbles the ball, which was recovered by Los Angeles Rams linebacker Ramik Wilson during the fourth quarter on Sunday. The Packers trailed 29-27 with 2:05 left in the game when Montgomery fumbled, denying the Packers a chance to drive for a winning field goal.

being told."

McCarthy said Monday that the call to take the touchback was relayed to the return unit in the huddle before the kickoff.

"To be at 2:05, that's exactly what we're looking for with the ability to stop the clock twice,"

McCarthy said. "He made a mistake."

He gave no indication that the Packers are planning to cut Montgomery, who also said he's unsure of his role on the team with fellow running backs Aaron Jones and Jamaal Williams getting more

snaps.

"I don't fully understand what my role is right now, what I'm supposed to be doing, how I'm supposed to help this team," Montgomery said.

He acknowledged that he'd been directed to take the touch-

back, saying of special teams coordinator Ron Zook, "He said the same thing he always says: 'Call the return, if it's in the end zone, keep it in the end zone.'"

The roughly 10-minute Q&A session with Montgomery then segued into a discussion of an NFL.com story in which one anonymous player said Montgomery "threw a fit" when he was taken out of the game on offense on the previous series and that Montgomery "ran it out anyway" because he was upset.

Montgomery denied Monday that he threw a "tantrum" and said that he was "very disappointed" that the player criticized him anonymously. Montgomery said that he would like "that one player to come and speak to me."

"It's very frustrating that the perception in the media now is no one has my back. I'm insubordinate. I'm a cancer, whatever is out there," Montgomery said, adding that he has gotten threats online.

"There's a lot of stuff that's not true that's causing me to have to deal with false accusations about my character, perceptions about my character. I've never been one to throw teammates under the bus."

"You guys know if you guys ever ask me questions about teammates, I always deflect it. I don't like it," he added. "So it's very disappointing, especially as a guy who's jeopardized the length of his career, the amount of money he can make in his career, in the middle of a season being asked to do multiple things all the time. That's all I'm going to say about that."

Fitzpatrick in, Winston out as Bucs' starting QB

By FRED GOODALL

Associated Press

TAMPA, Fla. — Jameis Winston's inability to cut down on turnovers has cost him his starting job with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers.

Without speculating on what the move means for the young quarterback's future with the team, coach Dirk Koetter said veteran backup Ryan Fitzpatrick will lead the NFL's No. 1 ranked offense against the Carolina Panthers on Sunday.

Winston, 24, was benched after throwing four interceptions during last Sunday's 37-34 loss to the Cincinnati Bengals.

"We're going to start Fitz at quarterback this week. That's what we feel we need to do this week to give ourselves the best chance," Koetter said, adding Monday's decision to turn to the 35-year-old Fitzpatrick is "just for right now."

Winston, who entered the NFL as the No. 1 overall pick in the 2015 draft, has 11 turnovers — 10 interceptions and one fumble — in 3½ games since returning from serving a suspension for violating the league's personal



MICHAEL CONROY/AP

Bucs QB Jameis Winston threw four interceptions on Sunday before being replaced by Ryan Fitzpatrick, who will start this Sunday.

conduct policy.

Fitzpatrick led three fourth-quarter scoring drives to erase an 18-point deficit at Cincinnati, but left Andy Dalton a little more than a minute to lead the Bengals down the field for a game-winning field goal as time expired.

"I don't like switching quarterbacks. That's not in my makeup," Koetter said, noting the way Fitzpatrick played Sunday, as well as while Winston was serving his three-game suspension, made the call easier.

With help from a talented group

of playmakers including receivers Mike Evans, DeSean Jackson, Chris Godwin and Adam Humphries, as well as tight ends O.J. Howard and Cameron Brate, Fitzpatrick became the first player in NFL history to throw for more than 400 yards in three consecutive games while helping the Bucs go 2-1 while Winston was suspended.

The 14th-year pro also started Week 4's 48-10 loss at Chicago, but played poorly and was replaced by Winston with the Bucs trailing by 35 points at the half.

"He's done a really good job of putting the ball in the right spot, and we do have explosive players," Koetter said of Fitzpatrick's success. "He has said himself that in all his time playing he's never been on a team that has this many guys who can make plays for him."

Although the Bucs continue to lead the NFL in passing offense and total offense, Winston's grip on the starting job gradually slipped away while turning the ball over seven times against Cleveland and Cincinnati the past two weeks.

"Both guys have had their moments when they've been extremely sharp," Koetter said. "But this really is just about what we have to do a better job of protecting the football."

Winston described being benched as "humbling." "It's not about me, though. It's my fault we were in that situation," Winston added after Sunday's game. "He had to make the decision. Fitz came in and played his tail off. Our offense responded, and we came back and had a chance to win."

Koetter declined to discuss specifics about how he broke the

news to Winston that Fitzpatrick will start against the Panthers (5-2).

And with the 2013 Heisman Trophy winner's salary due to increase to \$20.9 million if he remains with the Bucs next season, there's lots of speculation about whether Winston has started his last game for Tampa Bay (3-4).

"Jameis is a pro. He will continue to work on his craft. That's all he can do," Koetter said.

"Very rarely is switching quarterbacks forever. ... Jameis will get another chance at some point," the coach added, "and when he does he just needs to do a better job of taking care of the football."

In 49 games, Winston has thrown 54 interceptions and lost 17 fumbles. He's 19-29 as a starter, 1-2 this season.

The four-year pro said after Sunday's game that he was not fearful of losing the starter's job.

"I fear nothing but God. I know that I have to fix this problem and I will fix it," Winston said. "It doesn't come with being scared."

"You have to look at yourself in the mirror, take a long hard look at yourself, and persevere."

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Thompson's turn

Warriors' star breaks teammate's three-point record » **NBA, Page 27**

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BRUCE KLUCKHOHN/AP

Vikings wide receiver Adam Thielen, center, fumbles the ball as he is hit by Saints linebacker Alex Anzalone, top, and cornerback P.J. Williams during the first half on Sunday in Minneapolis. The Saints recovered the ball, leading to a touchdown. A tough second-half schedule leaves Minnesota with no room for errors.

Second chance

Vikings reach halfway point with daunting stretch and no room for error

By DAVE CAMPBELL
Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — The Minnesota Vikings hit their stride last year well before midseason, using an eight-game winning streak to build a 13-3 record for the second seed in the NFC.

This year, the second half of the season

is going to be much more difficult.

The challenge starts with the schedule. The next five games include trips to Chicago, New England and Seattle, with two division-leading foes and one of the toughest venues to play in. Detroit and Green Bay are the home opponents during that stretch, bringing two dangerous quarterbacks to U.S. Bank Stadium.

The Vikings are also 4-3-1, just behind the Bears in the NFC North and slightly ahead of the Packers, so they've squandered their margin for error.

"I'm not disappointed," coach Mike Zimmer said. "It is what it is. We have eight more games to go, and that will determine what we end up doing."

After losing 30-20 to New Orleans on

Sunday night, the Vikings were mostly upset about the way they let the game slip away. They were in control late in the second quarter with a 13-10 lead, when Adam Thielen plunged forward for extra yardage and lost the ball at the 14-yard line. The Saints turned that fumble into a touchdown, making the potential cost of that rare

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